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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chair
House Appropriations Committee
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for City of Santa Paula Mesa Tanks Replacement Project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Santa Paula, located at: 970 Ventura Street, Santa Paula, CA, 93060.

The funding would be used for replacement of two water tanks currently leaking water. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because, in 2017, the State Water Resources Control Board Division of Drinking Water identified the Mesa Tanks as being in poor condition, consistent with previous findings, and requiring replacement to address the deficient condition of the tanks. Both tanks need to be replaced with concrete reinforced tanks, adding storage for agricultural support and fire-fighting capability, ensuring reliability in standard and emergency scenarios. The Mesa water tanks play important roles in supporting critical infrastructure, potable water, and fire suppression capabilities for many residents and businesses, including the Ventura County Medical Center located in Santa Paula.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. 300j12.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Julia Brownley". The signature is fluid and cursive.

JULIA BROWNLEY
Member of Congress