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House of Representatives
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The Hon. Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Hon. Rosa L. DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Strategic Reforestation and Habitat Restoration Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Montgomery County, located at 101 Monroe Street, Rockville, MD 20850. With this funding, Montgomery County will plant 1,000 shade trees and structurally prune 1,000 previously planted shade trees on strategically selected county-owned land. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will reduce soil erosion, enhance water supplies, improve water quality, and increase wildlife habitat.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized under the Soil Conservation and Allotment Domestic Act of 1935, 16 U.S. Code sections 590a-590d and 590f-g.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family have any financial interest in this project.

Very truly yours,



Jamie Raskin
Member of Congress