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THE UNITED STATES AND THE
CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY

March 20, 2026

The Honorable Mike Simpson
Chairman
Subcommittee on Interior,
Environment, and Related Agencies
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Chellie Pingree
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Interior,
Environment, and Related Agencies
Committee on Appropriations
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Dear Chairman Simpson and Ranking Member Pingree,

I am requesting funding for the Nicholson and Wilbert Lake Erie Outfalls Rehabilitation Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is located at 12650 Detroit Avenue, Lakewood, Ohio 44107.

The funding would be used to rehabilitate two aging stormwater outfalls that discharge watershed runoff directly into Lake Erie. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this project will protect critical infrastructure, improve water quality, and reduce the discharge of untreated stormwater and sewage during heavy rain events.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Title VI of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C 1381 et seq.

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

Sincerely,



Shontel M. Brown
Member of Congress