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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Wells Reserve Public Buildings project in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Wells Reserve Management Authority, located at:

342 Laudholm Farm Road
Wells, ME 04090

The funding would be used to restore and modernize two public-use buildings for the Reserve's education, municipal training, and community programming, while incorporating energy independence and storm-resilient improvements. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it protects nationally significant infrastructure, leverages non-federal matching funds, reduces long-term maintenance and energy costs, supports community resilience, and serves tens of thousands of residents and visitors annually.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chellie Pingree', followed by a horizontal line.

Chellie Pingree
Member of Congress

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