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April 28, 2021

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Maine Department of Marine Resources planning for the future of Maine's lobster fishery and right whale protections in fiscal year 2022. The entity to receive funding for this project is:

Maine Department of Marine Resources
21 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

The funding would be used for developing an extensive outreach and education strategy to lobster industry members, this project will engage fishermen to develop common understanding across Maine's lobster industry about the status of right whales and new regulations from NOAA. Facilitated discussions will inform the development of principles to guide future management actions that will be initiated to meet risk reduction targets of the Conservation Framework.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chellie R" followed by a long horizontal flourish.

Chellie Pingree
Member of Congress