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March 27, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-305, the Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth HOB  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Hidden Acres Nature Preserve Phase II in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is DeKalb County, GA Department of Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Affairs, located at 1300 Commerce Drive, Decatur, GA 30034.

The funding would be used to complete priority infrastructure improvements at Hidden Acres Nature Preserve, including a new restroom building and repairs to damaged trails. The purpose is to ensure the preserve remains safe, accessible, and usable for residents and visitors while addressing erosion, drainage, and deferred maintenance challenges. This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it invests in durable public infrastructure that expands access to recreation, protects natural resources, and improves the quality of a public amenity for the broader community.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and that no one in my immediate family has any financial interest in it.

Sincerely,



Member of Congress