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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

March 3, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting **\$30,866,140** in funding for the **Easton Infrastructure Enhancement Project** in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Easton Utilities Commission located at 201 N Washington St, Easton, MD 21601. The purpose of this funding is to support significant infrastructure upgrades to a municipal utility in one of the fastest-growing communities on Maryland's Eastern Shore.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will improve the resiliency, efficiency, and environmental performance of the Town's water and wastewater systems – particularly important as Easton continues to see population growth, expanding economic opportunity, and the ongoing construction of the University of Maryland Medical System's (UMMS) Shore Regional Medical Center campus – a \$550 Million, once-in-a-generation project serving 5 counties on the Eastern Shore. The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Andy Harris, M.D." with a stylized flourish at the end.

Andy Harris, M.D.
Member of Congress