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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
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U.S. House of Representatives
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The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the City of Hialeah Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Water Meter Modernization in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Hialeah located at 501 Palm Avenue, Hialeah, Florida 33010.

The funding would be used to modernize the City of Hialeah's water system by replacing approximately 10,000 aging water meters with Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) smart meters citywide. This project will strengthen billing accuracy, improve customer service, and provide earlier detection of abnormal consumption and potential leaks—helping residents protect their homes and manage costs.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds as it aims to improve essential public infrastructure that protects and manages drinking water resources. Modernizing water metering systems improves the efficiency and reliability of municipal water utilities, supports responsible water use, and helps communities detect leaks and reduce system losses.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. 300j-12.

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

Sincerely,



Mario Diaz-Balart
Member of Congress