

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

January 31, 2020

The Honorable Donald J. Trump
President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Trump:

We write as members of the Everglades Caucus to express our appreciation for your continued commitment to Everglades restoration. Thankfully, funding in recent years has allowed for expedited completion of critical restoration projects. To keep the momentum going, we respectfully request that in your upcoming budget you allocate \$250 million under the Army Corps of Engineers construction account for South Florida Ecosystem Restoration.

The Everglades is a natural treasure, one of the true ecological wonders of the world, and further efforts to preserve this unique ecosystem will prove imperative to its long-term viability. The Everglades is central to Florida's economy; its biodiversity an environmental marvel, indeed the Everglades National Park is home to one of the world's largest wetlands. In addition, we cannot forget that eight million Floridians rely on the Everglades for their drinking water. Whether it be support for the expedited completion of the Herbert Hoover Dike or amending your request level to reflect the needs of our State, you have shown your strong commitment to these important issues. With this in mind, we ask that you join us in building upon these successes for the people of Florida.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to advance vital Everglades restoration projects. By allocating \$250 million, you would ensure that the Army Corps of Engineers has the resources it needs to do just that.

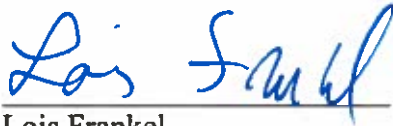
Sincerely,



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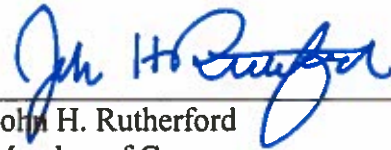
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