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Rosa DeLauro
Chair, House Appropriations Committee
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Kay Granger
Ranking Member, House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for City of Temple Sanitary Sewer Overflow Reduction Project in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Temple, located at 2 N. Main St.
Temple, TX 76501.

The funding would be used for the City of Temple's Sanitary Sewer Overflow Reduction Project. Portions of the City of Temple's Knob Creek and Little Elm Creek sewer collection basins are particularly challenged by one of Temple's best natural features: mature tree cover. This has led to advanced root intrusion into older, more vulnerable sanitary sewer pipes which fills the pipe space with the trees' underground bio infrastructure, reducing the capacity of the pipes to carry sewage, and increasing both the frequency and severity of sewer overflows. Overflows of sewage are visually offensive, malodorous, and potentially damaging to groundcover and bodies of water. Proactive, designed rehabilitation projects can remedy these root causes in an orderly and scheduled fashion that will be more protective of the valued landscaping amenities and other delicate elements of the neighborhoods' quality of life. This request would implement a variety of sewer improvements totaling \$3M for Knob Creek and \$2M for Little Elm Creek that are critical for restoring safe, sanitary, and reliable services to support excellent quality of life in these valued core neighborhoods and is thus a wise use of federal tax dollars.

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 "John R. Carter".

John R. Carter
Member of Congress