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Congress of the United States **House of Representatives**

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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Appropriations Committee U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Pines Point Hurricane Impact Pre-Disaster Mitigation in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is City of Pembroke Pines, located at 601 City Center Way, Pembroke Pines, FL 33025. The funding would be used for the installation of hurricane impact-resistant doors at Pines Point apartments, a public housing facility for low-income residents operated by the City of Pembroke Pines.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would enhance the safety and well-being of the residents of Pines Point apartments during hurricane season by purchasing and installing impact-resistant sliding doors. This project would offer better protection for residents against destructive hurricanes and alleviate anxiety and fear during hurricane season. This project would also allow maintenance staff and City officials to prepare for storms more efficiently. By minimizing the disruption caused by storms, apartments equipped with impact-resistant doors will enable a quicker return to normalcy once the danger has passed.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 203 of the Stafford Act (42 U.S.C. 5133), as amended by Section 1234, National Public Infrastructure Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation, of the Disaster Recovery Reform Act (DRRA) of 2018. Funds were designated for this project in the FY 2025 House Homeland Security Appropriations bill, which was approved by the Committee but not enacted.

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

Sincerely,

Debbie Wasserman Schultz

Member of Congress