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May 23, 2025

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 Miami-Dade County to purchase 35 acres of historic land for preservation and conservation. in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Miami-Dade County, located at 2300 Civic Center Place, Miramar, FL 33025. The funding would be used for the purchase of 35 acres of historic land for preservation and conservation. Private donations will be used for the replanting of endangered long-leaf (yellow) Pines, and Red Cedar trees on the property. Replanting long-leaf pine and Red Cedar in Cedar Key will contribute to the conservation of these endangered species and provide new recreational spaces for the public.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will help support economic growth by creating jobs in the local community and attracting tourism, benefiting taxpayers through an improved economy and a healthier environment.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1).

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 "Debbie Wasserman Schultz". The signature is stylized and fluid.

Debbie Wasserman Schultz  
Member of Congress