



CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 30, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Chairwoman  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-307, The Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Elizabeth City Shipyard Acquisition project in fiscal year 2024.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Elizabeth City, located at:

306 E. Colonial Avenue  
Elizabeth City, North Carolina 27909

The funding would be used toward the acquisition of the Elizabeth City Shipyard, a 3.2-acre property located at 722 Riverside Avenue, Elizabeth City, NC. Elizabeth City's intent following acquisition is to seek remediation funds, such as through Brownfield grants, and then pursue public-private partnerships to restore the property to productive use. This approach will also ensure the Shipyard's redevelopment is done in harmony with surrounding properties and community initiatives. This project is a good use of taxpayer funds because the proposed acquisition of the Elizabeth City Shipyard is critical to restore a major waterfront property to productive use that will create direct and indirect jobs. The property's size (3.2 acres) and water-frontage (900-plus linear feet) create possibilities for various forms of commercial activity and waterfront access. It is also strategically located at the southeastern edge of the City's downtown waterfront, making it highly visible from the water, and is adjacent to the City's growing waterfront corridor, known as Water Street.

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 neither I, nor my immediate family, has any financial interest in this project.

Thank you very much.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Don Davis", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Don Davis  
Member of Congress