

Congress of the United States

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House of Representatives

Washington, DC 20515

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Frederiksted Fish Market Revitalization project in fiscal year 2026. The non-profit entity project sponsor to receive funding for this project is the Nature Association of the Virgin Islands at 1215 King Cross Street, Christiansted, St. Croix 00820. The anticipated location of the project is P458+9J8, Veterans Shore Dr, Frederiksted, St. Croix, VI 00840.

The requested \$5,000,000 will support the complete demolition and reconstruction of the Frederiksted Fish Market, transforming the existing outdated facility into a modern, hurricane-resilient structure that supports local food security, economic development, and community vitality. This project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds as it supports rural economic development, public health, and food security infrastructure in an underserved coastal community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S.C. 1926(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,



Stacey E. Plaskett
Member of Congress