April 22, 2022

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro  
Chair  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Regional Tree Protection and Planting Project for the Charles River Watershed in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Charles River Watershed Association, located at 41 West Street, Suite 800, Boston, MA 02111.

The funding would be used to develop a regional tree protection and planting plan to maximize the effectiveness of trees in building climate resilience in our communities. Currently the Charles River Watershed is losing tree canopy. This project will identify areas for new tree plantings, locations where existing trees must be protected from invasive species and removal, and instances where tree conflicts have the potential to cause hazards such as on the embankments of dams and near utility lines.

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

Sincerely,

Katherine M. Clark  
Member of Congress