Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515–2201

April 27, 2022

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for "The Freshwater Research and Innovation Center at Discovery Pier, Phase 1" in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is Discovery Center Great Lakes, located at 13170 SW Bay Shore Drive, Traverse City, MI 49684.

The funding would be used to establish the Grand Traverse Region as a global hub for Great Lakes freshwater learning and research, further establishing Michigan's role as a leader in this space. The co-location of key partner organizations will generate tremendous opportunity for improvement of water and environmental quality, small business creation, and workforce development.

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

Sincerely,

Jack Bergman

Member of Congress