

# Congress of the United States

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The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-305, the Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth HOB  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the LA-02 Louisiana Fortify Homes Program project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Louisiana Department of Insurance, located at 1702 N. Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802. The funding would be used to provide grants up to \$10,000 for homeowners to upgrade their roofs to standards set by the Insurance Institute for Business & Home Safety (IBHS). The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because funding fortified roof programs is a sound investment — every dollar spent on mitigation saves an estimated \$6 or more in disaster recovery costs, reducing the state's reliance on federal aid and emergency funds after storms.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 203 of the Stafford Act (42 U.S.C. 5133), as amended by Section 1234, National Public Infrastructure Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation, of the Disaster Recovery Reform Act (DRRA) of 2018.

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

Sincerely,



Troy A. Carter, Sr.  
Member of Congress