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## Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-3303

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Chairman Tom Cole and Ranking Member Rosa DeLauro H-307 The Capitol Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Chairman Tom Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

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I am requesting \$7,080,000 to fund dredging projects and maintenance dredging within Rollinson Channel by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in fiscal year 2025. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Rollinson channel is critical to support reliable and safe ferry transportation back and forth from Hatteras Island to Ocracoke Island.

There is a strong federal nexus as this project has been authorized in four separate Public Laws (PL), the River and Harbor Acts of 1935 (P.L. 74-409), Rivers and Harbors Act of 1949 (P.L. 79-14), Rivers and Harbors Act of 1954 (P.L. 83-780), and the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1962 (P.L. 87-874).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family. I am most grateful for your careful consideration of this important request.

Sincerely,

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Gregory F. Murphy, M.D. Member of Congress 3<sup>rd</sup> District North Carolina