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**Congress of the United States** House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

May 23, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for čix<sup>w</sup>ícən (Tse-whit-zen) Protection Area Restoration in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Port of Port Angeles, located at 338 W. First St, Port Angeles, WA 98362. The funding will restore 6+ acres of Port-owned land to remove derelict infrastructure from the site to return it to a non-industrial condition.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the restoration activities, including the removal of industrial infrastructure on the property, will ensure the site is in good condition for preservation. The project also increases the size of preservation-ready space at Tse-whit-zen that can qualify for state and federal historic property designations. If received, such a designation could bring additional investments and tourism activity to Port Angeles.

This project has a Federal nexus because it is for purposes authorized under CDBG 5305(a)(4).

Sincerely,

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Congresswoman Emily Randall Washington's 6th District