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The Honorable Sam Graves
Chairman
Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

The Honorable Rick Larsen
Ranking Member
Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

RE: Proposals for a Water Resources Development Act of 2024: Members' Day Hearing

Chairman Graves and Ranking Member Larsen:

The Waterloo Greenway project in Austin is restoring Waller Creek, a water way through downtown Austin, which connects Ladybird Lake with the beautiful Waterloo Park. It has been a great addition to the quality of life in my hometown, while also offering great potential for economic benefits. Federal funding through Section 5138. TEXAS (authorized in P.L. 110-114; Water Resources Development Act of 2007) has encouraged additional private and local governmental funding.

Our success with Waterloo Greenway has inspired interest in similar environmental infrastructure improvements from other communities. We hope to have additional funding for Waterloo Greenway, and want to see other communities achieve similar benefits. Increasing the authorization for Section 5138 from \$80 million to \$150 million will enable the Army Corps to reach their goals, not only in Austin but also for other worthy projects.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lloyd Doggett". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Lloyd Doggett