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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting \$500,000 in funding for the Emergency Marine Mammal Field Response, Research, and Rehabilitation project in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Marine Mammal Center, located at 2000 Bunker Road, Sausalito, CA 94965.

The funding would be used for providing timely and humane responses to marine mammals that are stranded or in distress along the California coast; ensuring public safety by bringing in injured and diseased animals; advancing research; and providing high quality medical and rehabilitative care to marine mammals that are significantly impacted by vessel strikes, entanglements, and other activities.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it is vital to the management and conservation of marine resources, and provides services in public safety, bio-surveillance, scientific research, animal welfare, population health, and public awareness and education. The project is anticipated to have the benefits of protecting and promoting marine biodiversity and marine mammals, which are essential for thriving coastal ecosystems.

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

Sincerely,



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