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April 28, 2021

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Chairwoman House Appropriations Committee H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1016 Longworth Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Fire Control and Regenerative Agriculture at Pepperwood: Partnering with Local Grass-fed Beef Producers for Land Stewardship and Climate Resilience project in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is **Pepperwood Foundation**, located at 2130 Pepperwood Preserve Road, Santa Rosa, CA 95404-7534.

The funding would be used to complete the Pepperwood Foundations Grazing Infrastructure Rebuild, supporting vegetation management activities in a strategic wildfire control line identified by CAL FIRE to protect nearby communities in the wildland urban interface (WUI). Pepperwood has partnered with local cattle operators on 3,200-acre nature reserve to advance ecological restoration objectives on 900 acres of native grasslands through development of a place-based Regenerative Grazing Program that supports California Department of Forestry (CAL FIRE) objectives to reduce fire risk in the region. After two major fires, Pepperwood paused its Regenerative Grazing program to upgrade fire-damaged infrastructure and to reenvision our approach to regenerative agriculture.

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

Sincerely,

Jared Huffman

Member of Congress