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Hakeem Jeffries  
Minority Leader, Chair  
Democratic Steering & Policy Committee  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Steering & Policy Committee:

On behalf of the Ecological Restoration Business Association (ERBA), which represents nation's leading ecological restoration and mitigation providers, I write to express ERBA's support for Congressman Huffman' to assume the position of Ranking Member on the House Natural Resources Committee for the 119th Congress.

During his time in Congress, Congressman Huffman has supported numerous ERBA priorities, including championing efforts to improve delivery of mitigation for Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) Civil Works projects, supporting funding for the Corps to ensure they have sufficient resources to process permits in a timely manner, and highlighting the economic value created by the ecological restoration industry.

Given Congressman Huffman's dedication to conserving our nation's natural resources, serving on the House Natural Resources committee since 2013, and currently serving as the second highest ranking Democrat on the Committee, ERBA believes Congressman Huffman possess the qualifications and leadership abilities to assume the role of Ranking Member.

Thank you in advance for your efforts to ensure the House Natural Resources committee will have a Ranking Member ready to protect, conserve, and fight for America's lands and waters.

Sincerely,

Sara Johnson  
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