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April 19, 2022

The Honorable Jason Crow United States House of Representatives 1229 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

RE: FY23 CDS Request - Original Aurora Waterline Replacement Project

Dear Representative Crow,

I am writing in support of the City of Aurora's FY23 Congressionally Directed Spending request for the *Original Aurora Waterline Replacement Project* that invests in the City's drinking water infrastructure and community resilience. The need for replacing and upgrading aging infrastructure is common in older communities as pipelines reach their end of designed use. The *Original Aurora Waterline Replacement Project* is located in North Aurora and Del Mar Parkway Neighborhoods that were developed in the 1950s. These neighborhoods have a higher percentage of residents who are 65+ with disabilities, a lower median home value and lower median income in comparison to other parts of the City.

The City of Aurora is proud to be one of the most diverse cities in the nation and is a minority-majority city, where the total population of the minority groups is larger than the white, non-Hispanic group. Thirty percent of Aurora residents claim a native language other than English and twenty percent of our population is foreign born. A large number of foreign-born residents from the Americas, Africa, and Asia call the northwest Aurora neighborhoods home.

The Original Aurora Waterline Replacement Project will replace and upgrade 13,260 feet of aging pipe. This replacement project will greatly reduce water service outages due to waterline breaks and will reduce health risks to the City. The City's funding request of \$4 million will assist the City's public water system with keeping the City's service rates reasonable for these disadvantaged neighborhoods while aging infrastructure replacement costs continue to rise annually.

I strongly urge that Congress includes this Congressionally Directed Spending request for the *Original Aurora Waterline Replacement Project* funding that will assist to complete this project.

Sincerely,

Senator Rhonda Fields Senate District 29

April 13, 2022

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RE: FY23 Community Funding Project - Original Aurora Waterline Replacement Project

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The Citizens' Water Advisory Committee provides counsel and gives suggestions and recommendations to Aurora Water and the city council on water needs and planning. We strongly urge that Congress includes this Congressionally Directed Spending request for the *Original Aurora Waterline Replacement Project* that will assist to complete this project.

Sincerely,

Annie Bider

Angie Binder, Chair Citizens' Water Advisory Committee City of Aurora 15151 E. Alameda Parkway Aurora, CO 80012

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With gratitude,

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Senator Kevin Priola Senate District 25

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