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The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the **Aquaculture Development Accelerator at the Wailoa Station** in Fiscal Year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the **Hawai'i Department of Land and Natural Resources, Division of Aquatic Resources**, located at **1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 330, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813**.

The project would develop the Wailoa Station into an aquaculture development accelerator that will amplify the State of Hawai'i's investment in aquaculture research and development. This project will help restock local near-shore fisheries for the economic benefit of residents, ease the strain on local fisheries, and provide a base to revitalize and expand Hawai'i's aquaculture industry.

The project has a Federal nexus because it is consistent with the purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. §5305(a)(2).

Lastly, I certify that neither I nor anyone in my immediate family have a financial interest in this project.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Jill Tokuda  
Member of Congress