



U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

3/28/2023

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the University of Miami Expansion of Reef Restoration Infrastructure project for fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the University of Miami located at 4600 Rickenbacker Causeway, Miami, FL 33149.

The funding would be used to expand reef restoration infrastructure at the University of Miami and will help establish a Center for Coral Reef Restoration at the school's Experimental Hatchery on Virginia Key. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will help safeguard critical ecosystems that support valuable commercial and recreational fishing and underpin Florida's critical tourism and fishing industries.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 272 of title 15, United States Code.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M. Elvira Salazar", written in a cursive style.

Congresswoman Maria Elvira Salazar