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Congress of the United States
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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Norfolk Harbor and Channels – Anchorage F in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The funding would be used to deepen and widen Anchorage F, a critical component of the Norfolk Harbor project to ensure that there is a safe anchorage for ultra-large container vessels. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the anchorage and approach depths would match that of the Federal Channel and there are anticipated economic benefits associated with improved efficiency of transportation, and the primary benefits would be the safety and protection of human life and property by constructing an anchorage that allows for emergency use by vessels equivalent to the design vessel used in the feasibility study.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 8223 of WRDA 2022 (P.L. 117-263) specifically directs the Army Corps to carry out a post-authorization change report for this project.

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 that reads "Bobby Scott".

Robert C. "Bobby" Scott
Member of Congress