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United States Senator Mel Martinez  
United States Senate  
317 Senate Hart Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Martinez:

We wish to thank you for voting to override the President's veto of the Water Resources Development legislation. Enactment of that legislation authorized the first projects of the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan (CERP)---Indian River Lagoon, Picayune Strand and the Site One Impoundment projects.

The authorization of these projects is a great step forward for restoring America's Everglades.

We appreciate your willingness to support the WRDA legislation, and we look forward to working with you to provide funding to implement these and other Everglades restoration projects.

Sincerely,

(Signatures waived in order to expedite delivery.)

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