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The Honorable Paul D. Ryan  
Speaker  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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The Honorable Nancy Pelosi  
Minority Leader  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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The Honorable Bill Shuster  
Chairman  
House Committee on Transportation  
and Infrastructure  
2079 Rayburn House Office Building  
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The Honorable Peter DeFazio  
Ranking Member  
House Committee on Transportation  
and Infrastructure  
2134 Rayburn House Office Building  
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Dear Speaker Ryan, Leader Pelosi, Chairman Shuster, and Ranking Member DeFazio:

On behalf of the 1.3 million members of the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR), I urge your support for H.R. 8, the Water Resources Development Act of 2018 (Shuster, R-PA; DeFazio, D-OR), when it comes to the House floor for a vote.

H.R. 8 would ensure the viability and efficacy of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Civil Works programs, including navigation, water resources management, recreation, infrastructure, flood control, mitigation and environmental stewardship. Passage of this bill would be an important step toward providing critical economic and environmental benefits to the nation.

Projects funded by this legislation impact real estate and economic development, and help protect communities from natural disasters. Homeowners need clean and drinkable water, neighborhoods depend on the construction and maintenance of water management structures, the private sector depends on clear waterways and ports to receive and transport goods, and a healthy environment requires that we have the ability to clean and treat wastewater. WRDA authorizes and funds all of these critical projects.

NAR thanks House leadership for promptly moving this legislation and urges its swift passage into law this year.

Sincerely,

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