July 17, 2001

The Honorable Trent Lott United State Senate 487 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, District of Columbia

Dear Senator Lott:

This letter expresses my support for the full appropriation of \$395 million for the Mississippi River and Tributaries Project in the FY 2002 Energy and Water Appropriations bill. This project is crucial for protecting the health, safety, and economic prosperity of Mississippi and our neighbors by preventing floods and other high-water disasters.

As always, I appreciate your strong and continued support of the Mississippi River and Tributaries Project. Your support of increased funding for this project in FY 2002 will have a substantial impact on ensuring the continued prosperity of Mississippi well into the future.

Very truly yours,

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