AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4553 OFFERED BY MR. KEATING OF MASSACHUSETTS

At the end of the bill (before the short title), insert the following:

1	SEC EXEMPTING PROJECT FOR NAVIGATION CAR-
2	RIED OUT BY THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGI-
3	NEERS FROM CIVILIAN HIRING FREEZE.
4	(a) In General.—Any project for navigation carried
5	out by the Army Corps of Engineers shall be exempt from
6	the hiring freeze implemented by the Presidential Memo-
7	randum issued on January 20, 2025, titled "Hiring
8	Freeze", or any extension of such Memorandum or freeze.
9	Any Federal position assigned to such a project that is
10	(b) Vacancies.—With respect to any Federal posi-
11	tion assigned to such a project that is vacant, the Office
12	of Personnel Management shall publicly solicit applica-
13	tions for such position through www.usajobs.gov or any
14	other appropriate website.

