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House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515–3812

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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 2413 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the "Recreating Community at Thaddeus Stevens Center" project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Pittsburgh, located at 414 Grant St. in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219.

Funds would be used for the City of Pittsburgh to renovate the decommissioned Thaddeus Stevens Elementary into a community hub and meeting space for residents and organizations in the West End neighborhood. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it prevents blight, supports local organizations, and offers safe, much-needed resources to underserved youth and families.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(4).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

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Congresswoman Summer L. Lee Pennsylvania's 12<sup>th</sup> Congressional District