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Hon. Kay Granger Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 Hon. Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Tree of Life Educational Space Rebuild in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Tree of Life, Inc., located at 5898 Wilkins Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15217.

The funding would be used for creating a community gathering and education space to teach about antisemitism and identity-based hate in the new Tree of Life building, a synagogue that was the site of the deadliest antisemitic attack in American history in 2018. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will be a critical space to educate on antisemitism, revitalize a community hub that has sat empty for 5 years since the antisemitic attack, and will create a positive economic impact in the community by attracting visitors, students, and educators from around the world.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 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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Summer Lee Member of Congress

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