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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations, U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable 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 HOPE: Help and Opportunity for People Everyday in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Chicas Mom Inc., located at 1127 8th St., San Fernando, CA 91340.

The funding would be used for the purchase a property and use it as a multi-purpose community center to house its long-established educational and outreach programs, focusing on work force training, health and mental well-being workshops. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the facility will serve the economically disadvantaged neighborhoods of the North Central San Fernando Valley and looks to satisfy a compelling local need for the availability of outreach services and educational workshops geared towards building self-sufficiency skills through education in job-readiness techniques, financial literacy, computer skills, and personal development through sessions focused on health and mental well-being.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Title 42 U.S.C. § 5305(a)(1).

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

Sincerely,

TONY CÁRDENAS

MEMBER OF CONGRESS