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May 10, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rose DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Vocational Training and Employment for Baltimore Returning Citizens project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the National Center on Institutions and Alternatives Inc., located at 7130 Rutherford Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21224. The \$1,000,000 in funding would be used to provide training, wraparound services, employment counseling and retention support for 50 Baltimore residents. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will prevent recidivism by preparing formerly incarcerated people for vocational careers by providing skills training, industry certifications and employment.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 34 U.S.C. § 10152.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kweisi Mfume", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Kweisi Mfume
Member of Congress