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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

Pursuant to the processes outlined by the U.S. House Committee on Appropriations and the U.S. House of Representatives, I am requesting funding for the "The Juanita Jackson Mitchell Legal Center" in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Beloved Community Services Corporation, located at 1239 Druid Hill Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21217.

The proposed \$1,750,000 would be used to "restore Ms. Mitchell's office, where much of the NAACP's Baltimore Civil Rights division's most historic legal work was done. It's also where Attorney Thurgood Marshall prepared his argument for the 1955 Brown vs Board of Education case. This project is a good use of taxpayer funds because it would eliminate the remaining vacant property on the off side of the 1200 Block of Druid Hill Avenue and restore this building to honor the legacy of Attorney Juanita Jackson Mitchell, who was the first African American female to graduate from the University of Maryland Law School. Additionally, this building will provide legal and social services to victims of domestic violence. The restored office will provide office space for legal and social services for victims of domestic violence from the Rebuild, Overcome, and Rise (ROAR) program."

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress