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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 Star Community Family Life Center" in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is The Star Community Family Life Center located at 1600 Whitehead Court, Woodlawn, MD 21207.

The proposed \$2,300,000 would be used to "transform a 33,000 square foot former body shop into a vibrant multi-use community space known as The Star Community Family Life Center. The new and expanded site will provide space for a variety of multi-generational programs and services. These include an inspirational Youth 360 Program which is modeled after the Boys and Girls Club and STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics); supportive and innovative physical and mental health counseling and services offered to youth and adults; recreational spaces for activities and open-friendly walking and recreation; meeting and training space for seminars; and workforce development classes. The organization's strategic location is easily accessible and will help provide a variety of support services to thousands of residents of all ages and demographics. The organization continues to build partnerships with local educational institutions, businesses, and governments to provide pathways for workforce skills assessments, job fairs, and training. The organization aims to enhance individual and community stability that will yield greater economic development and address the needs of low and moderate-income individuals and families. This organization is committed to a proven multi-prong approach to support Woodlawn as a sustainable community. Stronger communities strengthen Maryland and all its residents."

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

Sincerely,

Kweisi Mfume

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