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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Building Skills to Support Community Safety project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Roca, Inc., located at 880 Park Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, 21201. The \$1,032,551 would be used to provide young people, police officers, and front-line staff (i.e. probation, parole, schools, community organizations, and others) with the training needed to improve emotional regulation skills, support long term behavior change, and decrease incidents of violence. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will allow Roca, Inc. to identify, reach, and engage at-risk youth and reduce community violence. It will also allow Roca, Inc. to support police and corrections officers in developing skills to manage stress and de-escalate situations.

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,

Kweisi Mfume

Member of Congress