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The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-305, the Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
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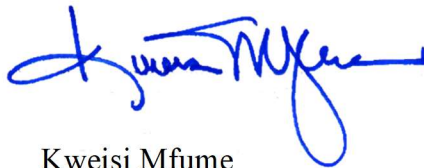
Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Safe Harbor Youth Violence Prevention and Workforce Initiative project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Downtown Sailing Center Inc., located at 1425 Key Highway, Baltimore, Maryland, 21230. The funding would be used for expanding the Young Mariners Program as a comprehensive crime prevention and workforce development strategy serving Baltimore City youth, reducing risk factors associated with juvenile delinquency and community violence by providing teens with structured, paid workforce development in a supervised maritime environment. The program is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Safe Harbor Initiative advances crime prevention and youth engagement strategies that reduce exposure to high-risk behaviors, offering a structured alternative to delinquent activity while fostering a sense of accomplishment, community connection, and civic responsibility among participating youth.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (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,



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