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The Honorable Kay Granger Chair House Appropriations Committee H-307, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the City of Moorpark Library in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Moorpark, located at 799 Moorpark Avenue, Moorpark, CA 93021.

The funding would be used for construction of a new library. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the current library, built in 1981 to serve a population of just 4,000 people, no longer meets the needs of Moorpark's 36,000 residents. The library serves as a key gathering place and community resource for high-speed Internet access, computers, educational and employment resources, and book and media collections. These programs and resources are offered to users free of charge, allowing lower-income members of the Moorpark community access resources they may not be able to afford. The current facility is not compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The new library will be fully ADA compliant and will provide a variety of open and private spaces to accommodate all types of users. Finally, the current building is not energy efficient and needs replacing. The new facility will be constructed as a LEED certified Gold Facility. The new facility will utilize the latest water conservation and stormwater retention systems, and save energy costs with new energy efficient lighting, HVAC systems and the latest construction techniques.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 USC 5305(a)(4) and 5305(a)(5).

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

Sincerely,

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