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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman 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 Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the City of Lovington, NM Senior Center Infrastructure Improvement Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Lovington located at 214 S. Love St. Lovington, NM 88260. The funding would be used to update the Senior Center's facilities to ensure safety, accessibility, and comfort for the city's older adults. This involves parking lot improvement/ADA compliance measures, handicap accessibility into the building, fencing and safety improvements, replacement of handicap doors, HVAC upgrades, carpet and floor replacement, updating ramps and signage, lighting upgrades, and expanding and improving accessibility of exercise/recreational facilities. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Lovington Senior Center is a gathering place for older adults in Lovington, NM to socialize and participate in meaningful activities.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2) and 5305(a)(5).

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

Sincerely,

Teresa Leger Fernández Member of Congress