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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations US House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations US House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$2,500,000 in Member-directed Economic Development Initiative project funding for the Kingsport YMCA in fiscal year 2024.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Greater Kingsport Family Young Mens, located at 1840 Meadowview Pkwy, Kingsport, TN 37660.

The funding would be used for a gymnasium, which will be used by the YMCA for community development for young people.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the facility will support workforce development and industry progression. The community has a significant workforce shortage and supporting young people developing into future leaders will benefit the community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program: 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1).

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

Sincerely,

Member of Congress

Diana Harshbarger