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**Grace Meng**  
**Congress of the United States**  
**Sixth District, New York**

March 27, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
House Appropriations Committee  
H-305 The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Appropriations Committee  
1036 Longworth HOB  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I respectfully request funding for the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at Queens College (Queens, New York, Sixth Congressional District) project in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Research Foundation of CUNY, located at 231 West 41st Street, New York, NY 10036. The funding would be used to help relocate the SBDC at Queens College program to Queens Hall. Funding will support the renovation of SBDC's new office area, including a reception/waiting area, conference room, and four office spaces for staff.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because funding will go toward renovating an existing campus space to accommodate the new SBDC at Queens College. The SBDC plays a key role in ensuring that local businesses have access to resources and trained counselors who provide critical services to address the challenges and opportunities small business owners face.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Grace Meng", written in a cursive style.

Grace Meng  
Member of Congress

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