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

May 2, 2025

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 STRONG Communities (Queens, New York, Sixth Congressional District) project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the King of Kings Foundation located at 137-11 161 Street, Jamaica, NY 11434. The funding would be used for the creation of comprehensive, vital community programming to reduce violence.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it brings violence prevention and community-building strategies to New York's Sixth Congressional District, helping to reduce recidivism and helping ensure Queens has safer communities.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 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,

Grace Meng
Member of Congress

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