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## Grace Meng Congress of the United States

Sixth District, New York

March 31, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I respectfully request funding for Acquisition of Property La Jornada Multipurpose Community Center (Queens, New York, New York, Sixth Congressional District) project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is La Jornada, located at 62-40 Woodhaven Boulevard, Rego Park, NY 11377. The funding would be used for acquiring and reconstructing a building that will serve as a multipurpose community center in one of the most economically disadvantaged neighborhoods in the country.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will provide a safe environment for the underemployed, children, and seniors to access necessary resources, including nutritious food.

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,

Grace Meng

Member of Congress