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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 the NaFFAA Community Center Acquisition (Queens, New York, New York, Sixth Congressional District) project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is National Federation of Filipino American Associations, located at 1612 K Street NW, Suite 600, Washington, D.C. 20006. The funding would be used for the acquisition of a permanent home for the New York State Chapter of the National Federation of Filipino American Associations (NaFFAA) for a multipurpose, multicultural community center for local multi-ethnic, non-profit community groups to build capacity and serve as a resource hub.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will create a center for educational, cultural, and social opportunities at NaFFAA's new community center to be accessible to all members of the neighborhood where there is currently no such center.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2) and 5305(a)(4).

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

Sincerely,

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Member of Congress