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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rose DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the East Springfield City Library Renovation and Expansion project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Springfield, located at 36 Court St, Springfield, MA 01103. The funding would be used for expanding and modernizing an important public library facility that serves more than 6,000 neighborhood residents as well as the entire City of Springfield.

This is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because building strong neighborhoods through investments such as this project will have long term positive impacts on the City of Springfield and surrounding region, particularly for low and moderate income residents who will benefit most from access to the expanded facilities resources and services.

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

Pursuant to House rule XXIII, clause 17, 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 that reads "Richard E. Neal". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning.

Richard E. Neal
Member of Congress

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