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

May 2, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole Chair Committee on Appropriations H-307, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa 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 North Wing Expansion for Community Wellness & Education, Great Barington, MA in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Berkshire South Regional Community Center, located at 15 Crissey Rd, Great Barrington, MA 01230.

The funding would be used to construct an addition to their facility, expanding their recreation center and creating additional space for community programs and administrative offices. This project represents an appropriate use of taxpayer funds, serving as an investment in the well-being and development of the community while fostering a healthier, more connected environment for all residents.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

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

Sincerely. hat Richard E. Neal Member of Congress

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