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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for Aunt Martha's Integrated Practice Unit for Adolescent Health in McHenry County, Illinois, in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Aunt Martha's Health and Wellness, located at 19990 Governors Highway, Olympia Fields, IL 60461.

The funding would be used to renovate Aunt Martha's clinic at Northwestern Medicine Woodstock Hospital to support the implementation of an Integrated Practice Unit (IPU) for Adolescent Health. This project will serve more than 3,700 young people between the ages of 10-21. The project will focus on the needs of adolescent health, including integrated primary care and behavioral health services. The request will fund the renovation of space to create six new exam rooms, two new behavioral health offices, a care coordination office, as well as new space dedicated to partnerships addressing social determinants of health.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the Relocation of the Batavia Interfaith Food Pantry and Clothes Closet in DuPage County and Kane County, Illinois, in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Batavia, located at 100 N Island Avenue Batavia, IL 60510.

The funding would be used for the acquisition of a new building for the Batavia Interfaith Food Pantry and Clothes Closet.

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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for Hackmatack National Wildlife Refuge (NWR)/Nippersink Creek Restoration Project in McHenry County, Illinois, in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Friends of Hackmatack National Wildlife Refuge, located at P.O. Box 413 Richmond, IL 60071.

The funding would be used for the Hackmatack NWR/Nippersink Creek Restoration Project, which will restore 100 acres of wetlands and remeander (or restore) the original flow paths of 8750 linear feet of headwater streams. This project is located on a parcel of land that will ultimately be protected as part of one of four core areas identified by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for Hackmatack National Wildlife Refuge. The creation of 100 acres of wetlands on what was formerly agricultural cropland will provide important ecosystem services; especially groundwater recharge, water purification, and flood reduction. This project provides water quality benefits for the rich array of wildlife that live in or near Nippersink Creek – considered one of the highest quality streams in Illinois – and valuable wetland habitat for a vast number of wildlife species dependent upon wetlands for their survival.

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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the Hinckley Public Library in DeKalb County, Illinois, in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Hinckley Public Library District, located at 100 Maple St, Hinckley IL 60520.

The funding would be used to rehabilitate a donated building and will include an exterior and interior refresh, multipurpose spaces, and ADA accessibility.

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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the Huntley Shops on Main Project in the Village of Huntley, Illinois, in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Village of Huntley, located at 10987 Main Street, Huntley, IL 60142.

The funding would be used for the Shops on Main Program to provide local entrepreneurs with a starting point to pursue their dreams of operating a physical retail establishment. The Shops on Main Program will function as the first step for a business owner that has been running a home-based or internet-based business. The funding would be used for the construction of 7 to 10 buildings near the Huntley town square that will be rented to business owners at a much lower than market price. The intent is to allow business owners the opportunity to design, stock and staff a store for one seasonal year before committing to a long-term lease with much higher overhead costs.

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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the Entrepreneurial Development Center (EDC) at Joliet Junior College in Will County, Illinois, in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Joliet Junior College, located at 1215 Houbolt Rd., Joliet, IL 60431.

The funding would be used for a new project at the Entrepreneurial Development Center (EDC) that will work directly with new and existing entrepreneurs from the conceptual stage of a business to formal business planning and beyond by assisting entrepreneurs with education, training, and resource identification. Joliet Junior College (JJC) would use this money to relocate the small business support department from JJC's Main Campus to the City Center Campus. This move will place small business support services in the heart of Joliet's downtown and will strengthen JJC's collaboration with Joliet City Center Partnership, an LLC dedicated to encouraging economic development in Downtown Joliet. Federal funding will also enable JJC to increase staffing and services to meet the demand of local entrepreneurs by providing one-on-one consultations with entrepreneurs, teaching non-credit entrepreneurship and business management courses, and advertising services.

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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the Kendall County Metra Extension Environmental Impact Statement in the Village of Montgomery, Village of Oswego, and City of Yorkville in Kendall County, Illinois, in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Kendall County, located at 111 West Fox Street, Yorkville, IL 60560.

The funding would be used for Phase 1 Environmental Impact Statement in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act.

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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for Corrosion Studies in the Village of Montgomery, Village of Oswego, and City of Yorkville in Kendall County, Illinois, in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Village of Oswego, located at 100 Parkers Mill Pl, Oswego, IL 60543.

The funding would be used for the completion of a Corrosion Control Study/Source Water Transfer Plan. This is an evaluation of supply, treatment, and distributions system components to determine corrosivity of water towards lead and copper, the impacts on the system, and recommended steps for minimizing impacts. This evaluation is an initial step required by the Environmental Protection Agency for the municipalities to designate Lake Michigan as the preferred water source and the DuPage Water Commission as the preferred water provider.

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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the Fabrication and Training Facility for Semiconductor Chips, Advanced Electronics, and Sensor Systems at Northern Illinois University in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Northern Illinois University, located at 1425 W Lincoln Highway, DeKalb IL, 60115.

The funding would be used to purchase the necessary equipment to establish a state-of the art microchip innovation and workforce development hub at the Northern Illinois University campus through transforming an existing 4200 sq.ft. cleanroom lab space to a state-of the art fab-lab dedicated to microchip research, design, workforce development and small business innovation and prototyping. This transformation will enable NIU to address the needs of regional industry partners and start-ups through specialized training and service, develop novel research and innovation in microelectronics chip fabrication and design, and educate the next generation of diverse, tech-savvy workers in microchip related technologies through novel curricular innovation and hands-on experiential learning.

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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the Phase 1 of a project by DeKalb Taylor Municipal Airport (DKB) to replace perimeter fencing in the City of DeKalb in DeKalb County, Illinois, in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is City of DeKalb, located at 164 East Lincoln Highway DeKalb, IL 60115.

The funding would be used for new perimeter fencing.

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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for Emergency Equipment Improvement for the Sandwich Police Department in Kendall County and Dekalb County, Illinois, in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Sandwich Police Department, located at 308 East College St. Sandwich, IL 60548.

The funding would be used to purchase in car cameras for each of the squad cars in the department. This is the first phase of implementation, and when the department implements body cameras next, the storage system will work in conjunction with this system.

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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the Village of Holiday Hills/Le Villa Vaupell Sanitary Sewer Extension Phase 2 in McHenry County, Illinois, in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Northern Moraine Wastewater Reclamation District, located at 113 Timber Trail PO Box 240, Island Lake, IL 60042.

The funding would be used to enable 335 existing residences that currently operate on private septic systems to be connected to sanitary sewers. Failing and overloaded septic systems contribute significant amounts of fecal coliform bacteria to the Fox River, especially when they become submerged during wet weather conditions.

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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the new construction of a new community health center in Will County, Illinois, in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is VNA Health Care, located at 400 North Highland Avenue, Aurora, IL 60506.

The funding would be used to support the construction of a new community health center in Joliet, Illinois to meet the growing health care needs in this area. This new location will be used by VNA physicians and nurse practitioners for the delivery of family practice, obstetrics, pediatric services, and mental and behavioral health. This highly accessible health center location will improve access to care for individuals with little or no insurance who are at increased risk of health disparities.

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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the YMCA Safe 'N Sound (SNS) Program Expansion at West Aurora School District 129 and Indian Prairie School District 204 in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is YMCA of Metropolitan Chicago, located at 1030 W. Van Buren St Chicago IL 60607.

The funding would support the expansion and enhancement of SNS afterschool programs at three schools in Aurora West School District 129 and nine schools in Indian Prairie School District 204. The funding would be used to provide scholarships to students with financial need; increase staffing; and enhance programming for both students and families.

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April 27, 2022

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1016 Longworth HOB
Washington, DC 2051

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the YWCA Metropolitan Chicago Childcare Network in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is YWCA Metropolitan Chicago, located at 1 N LaSalle St, Suite 1700, Chicago, IL 60602-4039.

The funding would be used by YWCA Metropolitan Chicago to create and administer a childcare network for Illinois' 14th District. The network will be comprised of childcare centers and family childcare focused on stabilizing, supporting, and sustaining the childcare sector within the district. The YWCA Metropolitan Chicago Childcare Network will leverage a variety of resources and funding to strengthen childcare businesses, expand capacity, increase the economic prosperity of those working in the sector, and improve the quality of care for children in the community.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lauren Underwood". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lauren" being larger and more prominent than the last name "Underwood".

Lauren Underwood
Member of Congress