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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Community Food Pantry project in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Miami Gardens, located at 18605 NW 27th Avenue Miami Gardens, FL 33056.

The funding would be used to construct the city's community food pantry. This food pantry will be constructed to ensure that it is incorporated into the city's larger community development efforts. This facility will help ensure that the city's community support efforts are readily available. If funding permits, this project looks to include a culinary incubator to ensure that while the community provides support for those in need, it simultaneously creates opportunities for small business owners to launch their businesses.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it addresses two prevalent issues: hunger and job growth. With this project funding the construction of a food pantry, it will serve as a critical element in addressing food security throughout the city. If funding permits, this project will also include a culinary incubator built to see the development of the city's talent and help launch critical small businesses.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

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

Sincerely,

Frederica S. Wilson
Member of Congress