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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for Enhancements to the Museum of Contemporary Art, Inc. in North Miami in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is Museum of Contemporary Art, Inc., located at 770 NE 125th St North Miami, FL 33161. This funding request will provide The Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA) the ability to continue to connects diverse audiences and cultures by providing a welcoming place to encounter new ideas and voices, and nurturing a lifelong love of the arts. The museum is located in North Miami, one of the most demographically and economically diverse regions of the country. With a new five-year strategic plan, approved by the Board of Trustees in September 2021, MOCA will strengthen its impact on the region's identity, education, economy, and quality of life. One of the museum's strategic goals is to triple MOCA's attendance over the next five years, but in order to deliver an innovative lineup of high quality programming to its growing audience, the museum needs enhancements to its 26-year-old Gwathmey Siegel Architects designed building. Funding would allow MOCA to increase the amount of programmable space to best serve the residents of North Miami and beyond through the museum's exhibitions, education, and public programs. I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

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