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May 19, 2022

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for I am Me: An Arts-Based Youth Mental Health Initiative in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is Adrienne Arsht Center Trust, Inc., located at 1300 Biscayne Blvd, Miami, FL 33132. This funding request will help Miami-Dade County teenagers deal with mental health issues. I am Me, a production serving 25,000 9th graders in Miami-Dade County Public Schools. Conceived in response to the rising mental health crisis in young teens, I am Me is a theatrical work that addresses issues prescient to today's youth, including depression, anxiety, isolation, gender identity, immigration, and economic insecurity. The production will travel to all 50 high schools in Miami Dade County. 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 "Frederica S. Wilson".

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