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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 Dyer Federal Courthouse in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Miami Dade College, located at 300 NE Second Ave Miami, FL 33132.

The funding would be used by Miami-Dade College is pursuing funding to revitalize the historic Dyer Federal Building and Courthouse, a 167,000-square-foot structure in downtown Miami that has remained vacant since 2008, with plans to transform it into a vibrant community space. Recognized for its national historical significance, the courthouse was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1983, underscoring its value as a cultural and architectural landmark worthy of preservation and adaptive reuse.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the renovation of the Dyer Federal Courthouse into a community space is a transformative project that will address a longstanding urban challenge, revitalizing a vacant 167,000 sq ft building which takes up an entire city block and restoring this historic landmark into a thriving community resource which will bring new life to this part of downtown and create new jobs.

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