

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

May 1, 2025

## Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Empowering Opa-Locka Youth: Crime Prevention Through Community Engagement project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Opa-Locka, located at 780 Fisherman St, Opa-Locka, Florida, 33054. This funding would be used for the Empowering Opa-Locka Youth project. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it addresses the critical need for crime prevention among youth in our community. The project proactively aims to reduce youth involvement in criminal activities and enhance community safety through prevention focused, positive youth-law enforcement connections.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

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

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