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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Gardner Community Center Project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Gardner, located at 95 Pleasant Street, Gardner, MA 01440. The funding would be used to support the final phase of redevelopment of the former Waterford Street School building to open a new Community Center in Gardner. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the property is owned and operated by the City and rehabilitation of this site will transform it into a multipurpose facility which will house residential services including the Gardner Senior Center. All planning and design work has been completed for the property and initial renovations are underway. This request would fund the final phase of the renovations to ensure that the building is ADA-compliant and ready for public use.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2) and 5305(a)(4).

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

Sincerely,

Lori Trahan
Member of Congress