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The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
House Committee on Appropriations  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
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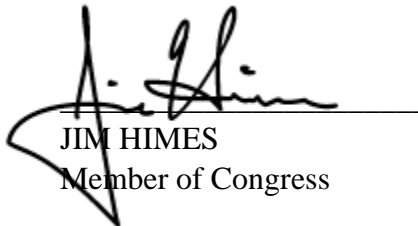
Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for Oak Park Phase II in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Housing Authority of the City of Stamford, Charter Oak Communities, located at 40 Clinton Avenue, Stamford, Connecticut 06902.

The funding would be used to build 166 new units of larger and more energy-efficient housing for low-income families. Oak Park II is the second phase of the demolition and redevelopment of Oak Park, a 100% affordable housing development built with State funds in the late 1940s. Chronic underfunding has resulted in the deterioration of 166 units that have been in continuous occupancy for 75 years. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will ensure that these affordable housing units remain available and in good condition for present and future generations of low-income households.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Himes", written over a horizontal line.

JIM HIMES  
Member of Congress