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Ranking Member Kay Granger Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the Town of Trumbull to undertake the Veterans and First Responder Center project in Fiscal Year 2023. This request is for the Economic Development Initiatives account under the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Town of Trumbull, located at 5866 Main Street, Trumbull, CT 06611.

The Town of Trumbull is seeking \$3,000,000 to build a 5,500sqft multi-use Veterans and First Responder Center (VFRC) for Trumbull and the region's veterans, first responders, small businesses, civic groups, and residents to utilize. The VFRC will provide access to jobs, healthcare, workforce training, and other services to over 30,000 veterans in the region. It will serve as a facility for workforce training needs for first responders. It will also serve as a space for local groups such as the Chamber of Commerce, Economic and Community Development Office and Commission, and the Trumbull Rotary, among others to use for business events and to provide services and programs.

This project would be an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would serve veterans, first responders, and business owners throughout the region. The project will help these groups expand their services and businesses, creating greater opportunity for the Trumbull community and region.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project. I appreciate your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Member of Congress