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March 31, 2023

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Upland Head Start Preschool Rehabilitation Project (project) in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is San Bernardino County Preschool Services Department, located at 662 South Tippecanoe Avenue, San Bernardino, CA 92415.

The funding would be used on the rehabilitation of a new building for San Bernardino County's Head Start preschool, including the classrooms, kitchen, children's and adult restrooms, hallways, staff offices and break room, computer room, and the Family Learning Center. Once rehabilitated, the County would move out of its existing preschool and into the newly rehabilitated facility. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the current preschool location is an aging modular facility that has serious structural issues in its foundation, water retention that has damaged the floors of the modular units, insufficient parking for staff and parents, and lacks the space needed to serve the children attending the preschool. The new facility is larger at 9,000 square feet, has more parking, and once rehabilitated will meet all California licensing requirements and comply with federal Head Start Program Performance Standards. A new rehabilitated preschool will ensure that the county can provide the best quality services for the low-income families who rely on Head Start to provide early childhood education and reliable, trustworthy daycare for their children.

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 neither I nor anyone in my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Judy Chu".

Judy Chu

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