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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

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

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I write to request community project funding for the North Shore Library (Library) project which envisions the new Library as a vibrant Community Center in a larger \$180 million economic development project in the villages of Bayside, Fox Point, River Hills, and the city of Glendale. The entity to receive funding is the village of Bayside, located at 9075 N. Regent Road, Bayside, WI 53217.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the completion of the North Shore Library will stimulate economic development in surrounding areas, attracting residents and visitors, and providing a host of benefits to the larger community. The Library will serve as a community center, hosting events, workshops, and classes to community members that support a sense of community as well as drive traffic to local businesses. It will also support workforce development as the Library will provide access to education resources, job search assistance, and career development programs. The Library will also offer resources and programs to support entrepreneurs and small business owners, such as access to market research databases and workshops on business planning, contributing to the growth of local businesses. Overall, the Library, and the larger development it will be integrated with, will contribute to the economic renewal of the area, support local business, foster community engagement, and provide a host of education and workforce development tools to the larger community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 USC 5305 (a) (1), 5305 (a) (2), 5305 (a) (4), and /or 5305 (a) (5).

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

Sincerely,


Gwen Moore
MEMBER OF CONGRESS