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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

April 27, 2022

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chair
House Appropriations Committee
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Faculty and Students Together (FAST) Fund project in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project, the Local 212 MATC Believe in Students FAST Fund, Inc. is located at 700 W State St. Milwaukee, WI 53233.

The funding would be used to provide financial assistance to Milwaukee Area Technical College (MATC) students experiencing economic emergencies that may affect their ability to remain enrolled and complete their education. MATC serves over 30,000 students, over 70% are low-income students and the majority are women, many who are single mothers struggle to balance work, school and family responsibilities. A study of MATC students by Temple University's HOPE Center found that 72% experienced at least one form of needs insecurity. Fifty-one percent of MATC students had experienced food insecurity in the prior thirty days and 65% had experienced housing insecurity in the past year. The report concluded, "Providing students the supports they need-including for their basic needs-is the best way to ensure they complete their degrees."

Funding for this project would help vulnerable students meet emergency housing needs as well as costs for paying for computers, books, tuition, transportation, food, and childcare and help overcome economic challenges so they stay enrolled, concentrate on school and graduate.

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

Sincerely,

Gwen Moore
Member of Congress

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Gwen Moore", written over a circular stamp or mark.