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Congress of the United States House of Representatives

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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
House Appropriations Committee
Washington, DC 20515

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

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary, Inc, Increasing Food and Health Services Access for Homeless Residents within the Amani Neighborhood project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary, Inc., located at 2461 W. Center St., Milwaukee, WI 53206.

The funding would be used to complete the design and construction of a facility, including a commercial kitchen and dining room on the 1st floor, and a medical clinic/health center on the 2nd floor. These completed spaces will be dedicated primarily to serving healthy food and providing preventative health services to severely disadvantaged residents within the surrounding neighborhoods.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will directly impact and primarily benefit thousands of residents within the district who are in greatest need of the food, medical, and other resources that will be available through this facility. Immediate economic benefits will also include construction jobs that will directly result from completing work on the 1st and 2nd floors. Secondary economic benefits will result from the anticipated increase in staffing by up to 10 full-time equivalent employees to provide services on these floors. 75% of staff are former "clients" and residents who have experienced homelessness or housing insecurity will be prioritized for hiring. The third level of economic benefits will result from helping to address the food and health needs of thousands of local residents through the programming that will occur on the 1st and 2nd floors. The exact number of residents served each week is uncertain but the organization currently serves between 2,000 and 3,000 unique individuals or households annually and that number is expected to increase with the completion of this new facility.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-383; 88 Stat. 633; 42 U.S.C. 5301-5321) which supports economic development and enhanced opportunities in disadvantaged urban areas.

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Gwen Moore". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Gwen" written in a more compact, looped style and the last name "Moore" written in a more extended, flowing style.