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March 31, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger
Chair, Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

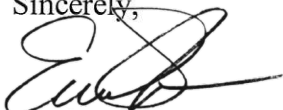
The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member, Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for a project entitled STEM Center of Excellence in Fiscal Year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Girl Scouts of North East Ohio, whose offices are located at 1 Girl Scout Way, Macedonia, OH 44056. The location of this project is 7047 Akron Peninsula Road, Peninsula, OH 44264. The Girl Scouts of North East Ohio would use this funding to supplement state, local, and private funding for their 7,755 square foot STEM Center, which will serve thousands of students in surrounding communities as well as all 18,000 of GSNEO's girl members. Girl Scouts will complete STEM badges and school children will engage in staff-facilitated day-long and overnight STEM programs. The facility will include classrooms, a multipurpose room, a wet lab, a maker space/workshop, a tech space, an outdoor classroom, and a rain garden. This is a good use of taxpayer funds, as the project will provide much-needed access to hands-on, experiential education for young women interested in STEM fields. This project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S. Code Section 5305(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,



Emilia Strong Sykes
Member of Congress