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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-6502

March 19, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Appropriations Committee
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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

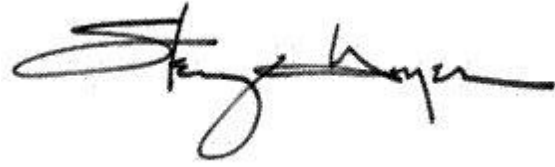
Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Maryland Boys & Girls Clubs of Maryland Statewide Initiative in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Maryland Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs, located at 1201 S Sharp Street, Suite 302, Baltimore, MD 21230. The funding would be used enable Boys & Girls Clubs across Maryland to positively impact youth ages 6-18 in 23 counties and Baltimore City. Programs will encompass an evidence-based statewide prevention initiative aimed at reducing risk of involvement in violence and substance use. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because we are all keenly aware of how the pandemic exacerbated drug and alcohol-related deaths, especially opioid-related deaths, in Maryland. The communities their Clubs serve were no exception and are among those hard-hit. Boys & Girls Clubs acts as a protective factor in the communities they serve, offering students hope, opportunity and adult mentors who respect and listen to them; a safe environment where they can have fun and be themselves; and interesting, constructive activities that channel youthful energy into challenging, positive pursuits.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steny Hoyer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

STENY H. HOYER