Congress of the United States

Washington, **DC** 20515 March 31, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations H-305, the Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for Safe House for Child Survivors of Sex Trafficking in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is TurnAround, Inc., located at 8503 LaSalle Road, 2nd Floor, Towson, MD 21286. The funding would be used to operationalize Maryland's first dedicated Safe House for Child Survivors of Human Trafficking, currently under construction in Anne Arundel County in partnership with the YWCA of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this project will fill a crucial gap in support to survivors of exploitation in Maryland by funding clinical and non-clinical services for child survivors of human trafficking.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in 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,

STENY H. HOYER Member of Congress