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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Yacolt Community Center Upgrades Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Town of Yacolt, located at 202 W Cushman Street, Yacolt, WA 98675. The funding would be used to make several upgrades to the Town's community center building, including the installation of an updated Heating, Ventilation, and Air-Conditioning (HVAC) system, upgrades to the commercial kitchen to meet code, replacement of the building's roof, repairs to water-damaged sheetrock, and upgrades to the electrical system.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because they will improve the ability for the Town's only dedicated community center to accommodate the community's needs, including for community meetings, medical offices, and food access programs for families and seniors. Additionally, these improvements will allow the building to better serve as a warming or cooling center during extreme weather events, strengthening local resilience and ensuring residents have a safe place to go in times of emergency.

This project has a federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'MGP', written over a white background.

Marie Gluesenkamp Perez
Member of Congress