Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-1005

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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 HOB Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for ULGA Financial Empowerment Center at Heritage Village in Fulton County in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Urban League of Greater Atlanta (ULGA) located at 230 Peachtree Street, Suite 2600, Atlanta, GA 30314. The funding would be used for half the cost for the new Financial Empowerment Center and other community empowerment components, including classrooms and office space at Quest Heritage Village, a supportive affordable housing complex in an historically disinvested area of Atlanta. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because ULGA and Quest Community Development Corporation are partnering with other community organizations to provide integrated programs for residents that will be housed in the FEC. The FEC will offer workforce development and training in rapidly growing industries in the metro area, financial literacy training and credit coaching, counseling and case management, which, when combined with the other services available at Quest Heritage Village, will play a vital role in ensuring economic security for the residents and help uplift the entire community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2) and 5305(a)(4).

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

Sincerely,

Nikema Williams Member of Congress