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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
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 Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Project Phoenix in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Brownsville, Texas, located at 1001 E. Elizabeth St, # 234, Brownsville, Texas, 78520.

The funding would be used to renovate the city's Downtown Recreation Center. Rain events cause leaks that damage building equipment and its structural integrity. The prolonged exposure of this water damage has also created a health hazard of mold to the community and staff. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the center will provide critical social services to residents of all ages in an economically disadvantaged area.

This project has a federal nexus as it is consistent with 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Vicente Gonzalez
Member of Congress