Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Tom Cole Chair 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

May 3, 2025

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Commons at Emory in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Lakewood, located at 480 S. Allison Parkway, Lakewood, CO 80226.

The funding would be used for retrofitting an unused school to be a 107,000 square foot community hub that will house behavioral and mental health services, job training, classes and coaching, and food and clothing bank . The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will rehabilitate a vacant public school building to meet the needs of community members accessing services.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by _____ [insert U.S. Code or Public Law citation suggested in subcommittee guidance].

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

Sincerely,

Brittany Pettersen Member of Congress