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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307, The Capitol
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The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

This letter is requesting funding for the Plymouth Cultural Center Improvements Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Plymouth located at 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, Michigan 48170. The Plymouth Cultural Center is a critical space for community engagement, but it is fifty-two years old and is in need of repair and maintenance to ensure it can continue fulfilling its important mission. Funding for this project would enable the city to make important building upgrades, like replacing the center's twenty-year-old roof under the new R-30 energy standards, and replacing its original 1972 windows. This is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the project will not only enable improvements that ensure the building's continued use in the years to come, but it also makes important energy efficiency upgrades. This center is used for a myriad of community-based events, and it is even the emergency center for a nearby senior housing facility. It provides free public Wi-Fi and regularly partners with the local school district and Council on Aging and others to provide educational events. This adaptive multi-use facility is a welcoming and safe environment for everyone.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program: 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(4).

This letter certifies that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Debbie Dingell
Member of Congress