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April 27, 2022

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Chair House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the El Paso ISD After-School Community Learning Centers: Broadening STEAM Learning Ecosystems community project in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is El Paso Independent School District located at 1014 N. Stanton St, El Paso, TX 79902.

The funding would be used to bridge academic and equity gaps in the south side of El Paso by offering after-school enrichment centers focusing on Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math (STEAM), literacy, social emotional development, and health and fitness. The goal of the program will be to positively impact the trajectories of at-risk students into STEAM careers through the establishment of after-school enrichment centers at south side campuses. The program will provide wraparound support that promotes academic excellence by focusing on character building, physical activity, and academic tutoring and enrichment. This program will engage students to increase attendance, improve academic performance, and reduce disciplinary referrals.

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

Sincerely,

Veronica Escobar Member of Congress