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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Housing Modernization project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Ysleta del Sur Pueblo, located at 9180 Socorro Rd, El Paso, TX 79907.

The funding would be used by the Pueblo to self-build a combination of 198 single-family homes, multi-family units, apartments, and townhomes on a 25-acre parcel in Socorro, Texas on the Pueblo's tribal land. The total cost is roughly \$47,000,000. The Pueblo will cost-share and apply for HUD grants, as well as seek Congressional support.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because these homes will go to lower-income and working families within the Pueblo. The Pueblo currently provides 401 housing units to slightly more than 1,200 enrolled members. By self-building, the Pueblo will also be able to provide extensive job-training to its membership, especially in high value construction trades that the Greater El Paso region needs. An increase in housing stock will also help alleviate a housing shortage, which will benefit greater El Paso, as well.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S. Code § 5305(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,
Member of Congress

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Veronica Escobar".

Member of Congress