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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am respectfully requesting \$1 million in funding for South Tucson Neighborhood Revitalization project in Fiscal Year 2027.

The entity to receive funding for this project is City of South Tucson, located at 1601 South 6th Avenue South Tucson, AZ 85713. The project address is 1550 S 6th Ave, South Tucson, AZ 85713 and surrounding neighborhood homes.

The funding would be used to support critical initiatives including the Emergency Home Repair Program and the John Valenzuela Youth Center (JVYC) Revitalization. The Emergency Home Repair Program will provide essential housing repairs for approximately 20 low-income owner-occupied households, addressing structural, roofing, plumbing, mechanical, and electrical issues to ensure residents can safely remain in their homes. The JVYC Revitalization will modernize the City's primary youth facility through structural, electrical, plumbing, mechanical, roofing improvements, ADA accessibility upgrades, the installation of a roof-mounted solar photovoltaic system, safety and security enhancements, exterior accessibility improvements, and enhancements for youth program spaces.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will provide direct benefits to low- and moderate-income residents by stabilizing housing conditions and improving a critical community facility. The Emergency Home Repair Program will help prevent displacement, improve living conditions, and preserve affordable housing for vulnerable households South Tucson, a 1.2-square-mile jurisdiction with a poverty rate of approximately 38.6%. This area has aging housing and public facilities, and very limited fiscal and infrastructure resources to fund needed programs and services. Funding this project is needed to improve housing stability, strengthen youth programming infrastructure, and address climate and heat resilience in a highly vulnerable community.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Adelita S. Grijalva". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'A'.

Adelita S. Grijalva

Member of Congress