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Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

ZOE LOFGREN

18th District, California

May 7, 2024

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Gonzales Community Center in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Gonzales, located at 147 Fourth St. Gonzales CA 93926. The funding would be used for the proposed center will feature a multifunctional Community Hall, a commercial kitchen focusing on nutritional education, a public library, a Teen Innovation Center, and a fitness studio. Additional facilities will include consulting and counseling rooms, a multi-use conference room, and an extensive outdoor community space.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Project will The Gonzales Community Center project seeks to establish a crucial hub for cultural, educational, and recreational activities in Gonzales, CA, directly addressing the needs of this rural community. Investing in this center will enhance local economic vitality, improve residents' quality of life, and provide a venue for vital health and wellness programs, representing a strategic and beneficial use of taxpayer funds.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by e Community Development Fund (CDF): 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1), 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2), 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(4), and 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(5). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

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Sincerely,

Zoe Lofgren,

Member of Congress

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