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March 27, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Appropriations Committee
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Municipality of Vega Baja's Senior Wellness and Community Center in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Municipality of Vega Baja, located at Francisco F Nater Street, Vega Baja PR 00693. The funding will rehabilitate an existing school facility and convert it into a Senior Wellness and Community Center providing health, recreation, nutrition, and social services for older adults.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will strengthen the Municipality's ability to serve its older adult populations and address critical community need while maximizing the use of existing public infrastructure. 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 blue ink that reads "Pablo J Hernández".

Pablo José Hernández
Member of Congress