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May 3, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole Chairwoman House Appropriations Committee H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the **Del Norte Center** project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is **Partnership for the Performing Arts**, located at 525 North Bank Road, Crescent City, CA 95531.

The funding would be used for the construction of a new multi-purpose community civic center and Emergency Operations Center (EOC).

This project has a Federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it is an efficient, elegant, and cost-effective way to address multiple needs at once with a modest one-time investment of government funds. The Center will serve as a critical resource in the event of community emergencies, it will be a gathering place for residents of all ages, interests, and needs, it will be an invaluable asset to the area's students, families, and schools, it will add a significant boost of economic activity by capturing revenue from visitors that is currently being lost, and it will be an important factor in increasing the livability and desirability of the community to young professionals, families, and older adults.

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

Sincerely,

Jared Huffman

Member of Congress