Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting $650,000 in funding for the Hispanic Federation Education Initiative in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Hispanic Federation, located at 175 Main Street, Hartford CT 06106.

The Hispanic Federation Financial Education Initiative will offer culturally and linguistically (Spanish/English) relevant workshop training in three Hands-on Banking modules: Basics of Banking Services, Money Management Tools and Tips, and Using Credit to Your Advantage. In addition, HF will continue to use a COVID-19 and post-COVID-19 frame to discuss these tools as Latino families and nonprofits as they navigate the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Small business resiliency workshops will also be provided.

Participating individuals and businesses will be provided information on accessing the various safety net programs and resources. Services will be provided in dual virtual and in-person formats. Virtual training will be provided through digital platforms such as Zoom and Google Classroom. In-person workshops and/or telephone conferencing will also be provided. The program participants may register for in English-language or Spanish-language classes, on weekdays, evenings and/or weekends, depending on the need.

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

Sincerely,

John B. Larson