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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 Church of the Good Shepherd's "Church Roof Restoration" project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Church of the Good Shepherd located at 155 Wyllys Street, Hartford, CT 06106. The funding would be used for restoring the roof of the Church of the Good Shepherd.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Church of the Good Shepherd, built by Elizabeth Colt as a memorial to her husband Sam, is not only an architectural masterpiece, but it is a key element of the Sheldon/Charter Oak neighborhood and of the soon to be established Coltsville National Historical Park. Two separate conditions assessments conducted in 2023 indicated that the church roof requires total restoration – removal of all slate and underlayment, assessment and repair of the wooden roof decking, installation of ice and water shield membrane, and installation of all new slate and flashings. This will eliminate the costly annual repairs and patching.

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,

Y 0 1 d JOHN B. LARSON Member of Congress