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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations H-305 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Shelby Acres project in fiscal year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Shelby Township, located at 204 N. Michigan Ave., Shelby, Michigan 49455. The funding would be used to support the construction of 24 single-family homes in Shelby, Michigan. This is part of a broader project that seeks to build a total of 100 dwellings that will be sold at cost.

This request is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will increase housing supply and improve home affordability. Residents of Oceana County face an unprecedented housing challenge, burdening existing residents and limiting economic growth in the region. Once completed, this project will provide a crucial resource required for the betterment and growth of this community. Down payment assistance will be available to qualified low-income purchasers, as well as financial literacy and development opportunities for residents.

The project has a Federal Nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(4).

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

Sincerely,

JOHN MOOLENAAR

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