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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chairwoman
House Appropriations Subcommittee on
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2358-B Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Subcommittee on
Labor, HHS, and Education
2358-B Rayburn House Office Building
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**Re: Community Project Funding Request for Temple Ambler Community
Kitchen (TACK)**

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting \$1,000,000 in funding for Temple Ambler Community Kitchen (TACK) in fiscal year 2023 through the Financial Services and General Government Subcommittee and the Small Business Administration.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Temple University Ambler Campus, located at 580 Meetinghouse Road, Ambler, PA 19002.

The funding would be used for the Temple Ambler Community Kitchen (TACK) project -- an adaptive reuse of a former dining hall to develop a shared commercial kitchen and food incubator including related programming to foster food entrepreneurs, on the Temple University Ambler campus in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania. The long-term goal of the TACK is to support the local food system, foster entrepreneurship in diverse populations, and encourage living wage job creation. This two-phase project begins with the commercial kitchen and second phase of farmable land, all efforts will be supported with educational programs, university research, and business support services entrepreneurs. This funding will support equipment acquisition and buildout of the community kitchen, as well as no-cost entrepreneurial programming and consulting. Programming will support food businesses in marketing and strategy development, as well as pitch prep and networking with fellow entrepreneurs.

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

Sincerely,



Madeleine Dean

Member of Congress