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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Chairwoman House Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, HHS, and Education 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 Washington, DC 20515

Re: Community Project Funding Request for SAGA Community Center

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting \$226,500 in funding for SAGA Community Center in fiscal year 2023 through the Labor Health and Human Services and Education Subcommittee and Substance Abuse and Mental Health Agency.

The entity to receive funding for this project is The Welcome Project PA, located at 350 S. York Rd., Hatboro, PA 19040.

The funding would be used for expanding its programs for LGBT+ populations, including a LGBT+ Mental Health Program (subsidized individual and group therapy); LGBT+ Support Groups; a Healthcare Best Practices for Trans, Nonbinary & Intersex Patients Program; LGBT+ Competency Trainings; LGBT+ Arts Programming; our LGBT+ Library & Educational Events; and Youth Programs.

This funding will also go to expand their Healthcare Best Practices Program which strives to improve access to healthcare for LGBT+ people via doctor training programs & materials development. Finally, their therapy program seeks to improve the mental health outcomes of LGBT+ communities, providing case management and assisting with wellness goals, as well as organizing youth groups for LGBT+ teens to reduce isolation and help to prevent suicide.

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

Sincerely,

Madeleine Dean Member of Congress

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