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The Honorable Tom Cole
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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
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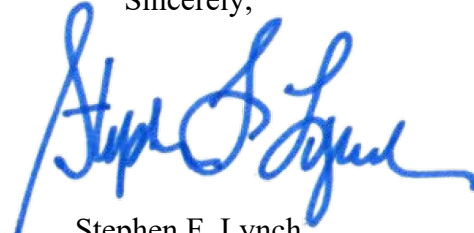
Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting Community Project Funding for the Spear Street Affordable Housing Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Quincy, located at 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy, MA 02169. The funding would be used to renovate and repurpose two historically significant homes once known as the Seth Spear Homestead near downtown Quincy Center, aiming to address the pressing need for affordable housing while preserving local heritage. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because by repurposing these historic homes, the project seeks to provide much-needed affordable housing options for Quincy residents, contributing to the City's efforts to address housing insecurity and affordability challenges. Assessment and planning efforts have resulted in a range of options that would yield between 8 to 18 affordable units designed to harmonize with the historical significance of the structures and meet the diverse needs of the community. Additionally, preservation of the Seth Spear Homestead and its companion property ensures that future generations can appreciate and learn from its cultural legacy and Quincy's rich history. The renovation and activation of these blighted properties will catalyze revitalization efforts in the surrounding neighborhood, stimulate economic growth and development, and foster a climate conducive to sustainable urban renewal in Massachusetts' 7th largest city.

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,



Stephen F. Lynch
Member of Congress