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March 19, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-305, the Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth HOB  
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding in the amount of \$2,995,188.00 for the Nicetown Sport Court project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Philadelphia, Managing Director's Office located at 1401 John F. Kennedy Blvd., Suite 1430 Philadelphia, PA 19102.

The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because Nicetown remains separated by this long stretch of vacant land along the 4300 block of Germantown Avenue. Creating a Sports Court would reunite the community that is split by this property, combat dumping of trash in an empty lot, and foster civic pride in one's neighborhood. The concept envisioned skate parks, basketball and futsal courts, bocce areas, gathering spots, small business vending, and public art to reconnect the corridor and create a safe, lively public space. Parks and Rec will manage the site once it is completed.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Dwight Evans  
Member of Congress