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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
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for The Urban League of Philadelphia's Reentry & Workforce Initiative in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Urban League of Philadelphia located at 1500 John F Kennedy Blvd. Suite 1910, Philadelphia, PA 19102. The funding would be used for their initiative, which is designed to strengthen public safety and economic stability by delivering evidence-based employment services to justice involved individuals.

The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds it directly improves public safety by helping individuals returning from incarceration build the skills and stability needed to avoid reoffending. By partnering closely with prisons, courts, and the Office of Reentry, the Urban League reduces recidivism—saving taxpayers significant future costs tied to incarceration and court processing. Participants who secure employment contribute back to the economy through wages, spending, and tax revenue. The program also reduces strain on the justice system by supporting compliance with judicial expectations. Overall, this investment creates safer communities, stronger families, and long-term economic benefits that outweigh the initial cost.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

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