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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 2313 Rayburn HOB Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the South LA Community Food Hall Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is LA County located at 510 S. Vermont Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90020.

The \$1 million request will rehabilitate a vacant building, create a vibrant commercial hub with affordable rent for 8-10 small businesses, and uplift the Vermont corridor.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will create 20 full-time jobs, create a community space for thousands of residents, primarily low-income residents, measured by number of customers/visitors, and catalyze corridor activity, which will be measured by foot traffic, new businesses opening nearby, and public improvements.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(4).

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

Sincerely,

Sydney Kamlager-Dove Member of Congress