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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Collier County Veterans Community Center project in fiscal year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Collier County located at 3299 Tamiami Trail East, Naples, Florida 34112. The funding would be used for the construction of the interior of the community center building.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds as it will improve community access for the thousands of veterans that live in Collier County. The funds will be used to repair the interior of an existing building which will serve as a multi-purpose community center for veterans.

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,



Mario Diaz-Balart
Member of Congress