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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Appropriations Committee H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Boys and Girls Clubs Statewide Expansion and Crime Prevention Initiative project in the Fiscal Year 2025 Commerce, Justice & Science, & Related Agencies Appropriations Bill. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Boys and Girls Club of Metropolitan Baltimore, located at 1201 S. Sharp St., #302, Baltimore, MD 21230.

If awarded, this funding would be used to lead a statewide crime prevention initiative focused on building positive relationships between youth and law enforcement across the 90 communities in the State the Boys and Girls Clubs in Maryland serve. The club plans to implement programs for youth that promote abstinence from substance use through practice of responsible behavior, refusal skills, and mentoring with statewide law enforcement partners.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by the Office of Justice Programs' mission and aligned with one or more of the purposes described in the Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) program, 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,

David Trone

Member of Congress