Rosa DeLauro
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the City of Loveland Pulliam Community Building Renovations 2021 project in fiscal year 2022. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Loveland, located at 500 E. 3rd Street, Loveland, Colorado 80537.

The funding would be used for renovating the Pulliam Community Building. The facility served as a public gathering space for seventy-two years, until the early 2000’s when it was closed by building officials for noncompliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and building fire/life safety regulations. In 2017, the City of Loveland, in partnership with the Pulliam Community Building Foundation (a private nonprofit 501(c) 3organization), committed to rehabilitating the historic Pulliam Community Building to serve as both a community disaster shelter and a community building for Northern Colorado. After renovations, the building will comply with CDC air quality standards, ADA requirements, and International Building Code specifications.

At this time, if there is a severe weather event or wildfire, such as the recent Cameron Peak Fire (the largest wildfire in Colorado history), city staff must work with local organizations, such as local churches, to ask for voluntary space to house displaced individuals. Once this project is completed, the City anticipates that the Pulliam Community Building will provide a place to mobilize resources and shelter displaced citizens, thereby minimizing the loss of lives experienced by the City of Loveland and surrounding communities.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Joe Neguse
Member of Congress