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## **Congress of the United States** House of Representatives Mashington, DC 20515-3005

April 28, 2022

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Construction of a Community Center for the Borough of Allendale in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Borough of Allendale, located at 500 West Crescent Avenue, Allendale, New Jersey 07401.

The Borough of Allendale is proposing to build a community center that will provide muchneeded meeting space, a gymnasium, recreational space, a kitchen area, and an attached outdoor covered gathering space. The property is centrally located and once completed, the center will serve as a cornerstone to the community, as it is within a few minutes walking distance from park space, two elementary schools, one regional high school, the Borough Hall and public library, Crestwood Lake, special needs housing communities, several houses of worship, the downtown retail and business district, and a New Jersey Transit commuter train. An additional benefit of this new community center would allow the Borough to offer adequate space during emergencies such as for warming/cooling stations, shelters/charging stations during storms or power outages, and a central community distribution site.

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

