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March 31, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger
Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Perry Street Affordable Homeownership in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Salisbury Housing Trust located at 24 Main Street, Salisbury, CT 06068. The funding would be used to build three new affordable homes that will be sold to households earning at or below 80% of the area's median income. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because affordable housing is needed in the area. The town is losing families because they cannot afford to live there. As a result, local businesses, such as restaurants, inns, stores, banks and doctors' offices struggle to fill openings, leading to a strain on the local economy. The median home price in Salisbury in 2022 was \$750,000, a substantial increase from \$470,000 in 2018. The affordable homes the Salisbury Housing Trust provides are sold for between \$120,000 and \$250,000 to low- and moderate-income households. The availability of these homes makes the area more accessible for families in all income brackets. The site of these future homes is walking distance to the village center, with easy access to community amenities.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jahana Hayes".

Jahana Hayes
Member of Congress