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The Honorable Kay Granger, Chair
Committee on Appropriations
H-307 Capitol Building
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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro, Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Wadajir Residences & Souq in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Abu Bakr Islamic Center of Washington located at 14101 Tukwila International Blvd, Tukwila, WA 98168.

The funding would be used for acquisition costs, pre-development, site planning, and development of the Wadajir Residences & Souq. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will create 100 new affordable homes for families and 45+ micro retail units for small businesses, directly combating the housing crisis and challenges facing small businesses in the region.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2) and 5305(a)(4).

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

Sincerely,



Adam Smith
Member of Congress