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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 Digital Equity for Affordable Housing project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Bellevue located at 450 110th Avenue NE, Bellevue, WA 98004.

The funding would be used for upfront broadband infrastructure costs including equipment and hardware, installation, and engineering need to launch Bellevue's Digital Equity for Affordable Housing initiative. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will expand broadband infrastructure and connectivity in Bellevue, including free direct internet access to 600 subsidized affordable housing units including a men's homeless shelter and permanent supportive housing.

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

Sincerely,



Adam Smith
Member of Congress