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

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the WELD King County Jail Pilot Housing and Successful Reentry Program Project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Seattle located at 1426 South Jackson Street, Seattle, WA 98144.

This funding would support the City of Seattle and WELD in improving public safety by providing transitional housing and reentry support to men released from King County Jail who face high risks of homelessness, relapse, and recidivism. The program offers recovery-based housing, case management, and employment readiness services delivered by staff with lived experience. This is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds as it addresses a critical service gap and strengthens coordination with law enforcement and reentry partners to promote stability and reduce repeat offenses.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by the Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) program, section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

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

Sincerely,

Adam Smith

Member of Congress