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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-307, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
2413 Rayburn HOB
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Central Brooklyn Violence Prevention Collaborative in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Research Foundation of CUNY on behalf of the John Jay College of Criminal Justice, located at 230 W 31st Street, New York, New York, 10036. The funding would be used to hire additional staff for their current programming and to place staff to provide technical assistance to local violence prevention groups. Funding will also be used for costs to host collaborative meetings to address cases of individuals in crisis and other administrative costs for the program. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will help to identify at risk individuals in the community who are likely to commit violent crimes and engage them in preventative support services in consultation with local law enforcement. These community groups also coordinate with NYPD to respond to 911 calls and other potentially disruptive situations.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 1701(b)(8) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10381(b)(8)).

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, appearing to read "Hakeem Jeffries".

HAKEEM JEFFRIES
Member of Congress