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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations Committee on Appropriations H-307 United States Capitol Building H-307 United States Capitol Building Washington, DC 20515 Washington, DC 20515

RE: Congressman Al Green Appropriations Requests for the House Appropriations Committee Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development and Related Agencies.

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for HAWC Future Forward - HAWC's Plan for Survivor Safety and Stability in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Houston Area Women's Center (HAWC), located at 3077 El Camino Street, Houston, TX 77054. The funding would be used to expand and renovate facilities on the existing flagship campus to create a hub that accommodates both residential and non-residential services in a unified, secure, undisclosed setting. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will dramatically reduce the agency's turn-away rate and accommodate three times more survivors than our current shelter capacity.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by This project is focused on construction and capital improvements that fall under the Economic Development Initiative (EDI) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. Authorizing legislation includes 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), 5305(a)(5).

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

Should you require additional information, please contact my Chief of Staff, Scott Bell, by email at Scott.Bell@mail.house.gov or phone at 202-893-0438.

Sincerely,

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Member of Congress