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The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Tom Cole Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting Funding for the Oklahoma State University Oklahoma City Center for Social Innovation as a community project funding request in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Oklahoma State University, Oklahoma City located at 900 N Portland Ave, Oklahoma City, OK, 73107.

This funding would be used to create the OSU-OKC Center for Social Innovation, which would provide Oklahomans from challenged backgrounds a pathway to employment and long-term stability through a nine-month intensive program that provides college coursework, life-skills, financial literacy, job readiness skills, and employment experiences in the form of paid internships. The services provided through the CFSI not only improve the lives of participants but also help Oklahoma build a more skilled and educated workforce.

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

Sincerely.

Stephanie d. Bice

Stephanie Bice Member of Congress