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Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-4006

March 31, 2009

The Honorable David R. Obey Chairman House Appropriations Committee H-218 United States Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair Obey:

I am requesting funding for the Modjeska Simkins Home Restoration Project in fiscal year 2010. The entity to receive funding is the Historic Columbia Foundation, located at 1601 Richland St, Columbia, SC 29201. The funding would be used to restore the Modjeska Simkins home. This project would be a good federal investment. I certify that neither I nor my wife has any financial interest in this project.

Member of Congress