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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Chair  
House Appropriations Committee  
H-307, The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
House Appropriations Committee  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the City of Hagerstown, Maryland's initiative to transform and repurpose vacant and blighted properties in the Fiscal Year 2022 Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill. The entity to receive funding for this project is City of Hagerstown, Maryland, located at 1 E. Franklin St. Hagerstown, MD 21740.

If awarded, the funding will be used for a critical initiative to eliminate blight that exists throughout multiple City neighborhoods. Numerous vacant/blighted/abandoned properties are negatively impacting the Hagerstown community and without intervention, these properties will continue to deteriorate, continue to be major safety concerns for local residents, and continue to be an overall nuisance for the City. A significant focus of this initiative will be carried out through the City's new Tax Sale Property Repurpose Program. Aligning with recent State of Maryland Legislation from 2018, this new program was created via City Ordinance in 2020 and will be utilized to transition numerous vacant and abandoned properties into productive use. This initiative will positively impact taxpayers by enhancing neighborhoods through revitalization or removal of unsafe structures while also providing new opportunities for quality renter or owner occupied housing.

I certify that neither I nor any member of my immediate family has any financial interests in this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Trone', written over a white background.

David Trone  
Member of Congress