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Hon. Rosa DeLauro Chairwoman House Appropriations Committee 2413 RHOB Washington, DC 20515 Hon. Kay Granger Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1026 LHOB Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the South End Housing Development Program. They are requesting \$904,336.43 in funding.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Council Bluffs

The City of Council Bluffs will expand its affordable housing through the funding of the South End Housing Development Program. The Program will look at the need for housing not just on a site-by-site basis, but as a whole neighborhood to make a greater impact.

Project 1. 21st Avenue and South Expressway: The City proposes completion of an infrastructure project to create a site-ready development on city-owned property. The site will accommodate the construction of a 75-100 unit multi-family development with an affordability requirement. At least 51% of the units constructed must be rented or sold to households at or below 80% of the median family income. The project will require the acquisition of one single-family home (522 22nd Avenue); reconstruction of 21st Avenue to city standards; and site restoration including bring in 20,000 cubic yards of fill dirt to raise the site three feet. Upon completion, the City will advertise an RFP for a private developer to construct an affordable housing project.

Project 2. South 19th Street: The City proposes the extension of South 19th Street from 25th Avenue to 26th Avenue. This project will open an adjacent parcel of land that will be developed by NeighborWorks Home Solutions, a nonprofit partner, with at least a 29-unit single-family housing development that will include market rate and affordable units.

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

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