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UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
ROSA L. DELAURO
3RD DISTRICT, CONNECTICUT

March 27, 2026

Dear Chairman Cole, Chairman Womack, and Ranking Member Clyburn:

I am requesting funding for an Economic Development Initiative (EDI) grant for the Brundage Library Renovation in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Town of Hamden located at 2750 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT 06518. This funding will support a complete comprehensive interior and exterior renovations to the Louise A. Brundage Community Branch Library, the oldest of the Hamden Public Library's branch locations.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this branch serves as a community anchor for residents who face barriers to accessing services, technology, and educational resources elsewhere. The library's impact on the community is measurable and growing. With nearly 6,000 annual visits despite limited hours, the branch is a critical access point for residents who rely on its technology resources, digital literacy support, children's and teen programming, and community gathering space. The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5035(a)(2), 5035(a)(4), and 5305(a)(5).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rosa L. DeLauro".

Rosa L. DeLauro
Member of Congress