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April 29, 2022

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Northside Food Access and Distribution Project in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Change Starts With Community, located at: 1201 West Broadway, Suite 2, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55411.

The requested \$1 million would fund the development of two food distribution centers in North Minneapolis to serve several smaller, hyper-local pop-up food shelves. This pilot program addresses the chronic food insecurity in the primarily Black, Indigenous, and People of Color communities of North Minneapolis. The program will ensure that residents have easily accessible healthy food resources from trusted local community organizations. This expansion of distribution is critical to meeting the food insecurity needs of the community.

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

Sincerely,

Member of Congress