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## House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515–2305

March 31, 2023

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for CAPI Immigrant Opportunity Center Expansion Project in fiscal year 2024.

The entity to receive funding for this project is CAPI USA, located at 5930 Brooklyn Boulevard, Brooklyn Center, MN 55429.

The funding would be used CAPI USA proposes to develop a 3-story, 16,050 sq. ft. expansion to its Immigrant Opportunity Center to create new entrepreneurship and wealth building services at 5950 Brooklyn Boulevard, CAPI's vacant .84- acre parcel of land adjacent to CAPI's Brooklyn Center headquarters. The centerpiece of this expansion will be the center's new Opportunity Incubator, 4,500 square feet of new retail and office space dedicated to supporting the area's immigrant/BIPOC-led small businesses through the following:

This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the taxpayers of Brooklyn Center, MN will benefit from increased job training and creation. The opportunity center will also provide a handful of other services like tax assistance, financial coaching, and homebuyer services. The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program 42 U.S.C., 5305(a)(4).

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

Sincerely,

Member of Congress