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The Honorable Kay Granger Chair Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Meskwaki Correctional Facility as a community project in fiscal year 2024.

The entity to receive the funding for this project is the Sac & Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa, located at 349 Meskwaki Road, Tama, IA 52339.

This funding would provide construction support for a correctional facility on the Meskwaki Settlement, a tribal settlement with a population of 2,806 individuals. The purpose of this investment is to provide the Sac & Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa with its first holding facility or jail on the Settlement. Without one, the Tribe faces serious safety concerns, financial burdens, and sovereignty challenges. There is strong community support for this request.

This project has a Federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

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

Sincerely,

Ashley Hinson

Member of Congress

Committee on Appropriations