

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20510

March 24, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
House Committee on Appropriations
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Double Edge Theatre Community Center in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Double Edge Theatre Project, Inc. located at 948 Conway Road, Ashfield, MA 01330. The funding would be used to expand their facilities and programming by building a community center for design, visual arts, and Indigenous crafts. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the town lacks sufficient community space and programming for resident artists, students, craftspeople, and youth from the rural hilltowns to safely congregate.

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

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

Sincerely,



James P. McGovern

Member of Congress