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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman 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 Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Supporting Biliteracy for Young Children and Their Families Project fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Boston, located at 1 City Hall Square Boston, MA 02201. The funding would be used for to build a sustainable pathway from monolingual non-English and bilingual childcare settings to bilingual Boston Public Schools. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Boston Public Schools is under Department of Justice direction to improve services to Multi Language Learners and this project would train early educators and support families in bilingual development in young children so children enter school with a solid family/community language and the English skills needed for kindergarten.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

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

Sincerely,

Ayanna Pressley

Member of Congress

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