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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Appropriations Committee H-307 Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Ben Avon Rooftop Solar Panel Project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Ben Avon Borough, located at 7101 Church Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15202. The funding would install 9 kW of solar photovoltaic panels on the roof of a building that the Borough owns, generating over 11,000 kilowatt hours of electricity annually. The building is tenant-occupied and currently houses a coffee shop and an EMS station. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because Ben Avon Borough residents and neighboring communities would benefit from cleaner air as a result of this clean energy project. The project will demonstrate the Borough's commitment to sustainability and inspire other local residents, organizations, and local governments to pursue similar on-site renewable energy projects.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

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

Very respectfully,

Chris Deluzio

Member of Congress