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April 23, 2021

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for Chef Space Consumer-Packaged Goods Expansion in fiscal year 2022. The entity to receive funding for this project is Community Ventures Corporation, located at 1540 N. Broadway Lexington, Kentucky 40505. The funding would be used for Chef Space, located in Louisville, Kentucky, to provide equipment, storage, and space to allow for a growing consumer packaged goods operation.

Chef Space is a food business accelerator that provides commercial kitchen space and business training for entrepreneurs to start food related ventures as a means for economic security. They focus on inclusive growth and opportunity in the community, with two-thirds of the entrepreneurs they serve are persons of color and more than half are women. During the pandemic, Chef Space demonstrated tremendous resiliency by safely remaining open and packaged foods, meal delivery services, expanded production, and personal catering all became more viable options. This funding would allow them to reimagine their space to provide for a robust food packaging operation to better serve their members and our community.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John A. Yarmuth", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Member of Congress
Date: April 23, 2021