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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for a Domestic Violence Shelter in Irving, Texas in FY25.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Irving, Texas, located at 825 W. Irving Blvd. Irving, TX 75060.

The funding would be used for a study on the eventual construction of Women's Shelter Providing emergency housing along with support services for domestic violence victims.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because there are approximately 200 cases of domestic violence reported in Irving each month, according to the Irving Family Advocacy Center. The Irving Police Department reported 2,258 incidents of family violence in 2021, compared to 1,087 incidents in Grand Prairie, 2126 incidents in Garland and 1,269 incidents in Mesquite in the same period. 90.1% of domestic violence survivors interviewed in Texas were homeless one or more times due to domestic violence.

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

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 'J. Ellzey', written over a printed name and title.

Jake Ellzey
Congressman, Texas 6th District