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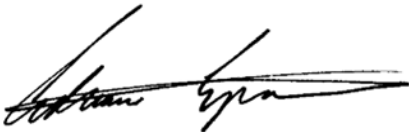
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I respectfully request funding for the PS 84 School Renovations in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is New York City Public Schools which is located at 52 Chambers Street, New York, NY 10007.

This project is consistent with the primary objective of the community development program because it will serve low-income students. It is estimated that this project will directly and indirectly serve approximately 2,500 constituents annually, including 700 students and their families, school staff, and community members who participate in school-based events, after-school programs, and neighborhood recreation activities.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(3), and/or 5305(a)(4). Lastly, I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

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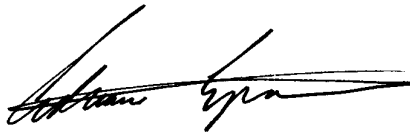
Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the NYC Neighborhood Internet Network in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is New York City Department of Housing Preservation & Development located at 100 Gold Street, New York, NY, 10038.

The funding would be used for the installation of a mesh wireless network to provide free internet access to Section 8 recipient households. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will address the digital divide that exists for low-income families. The investments made through this initiative will help to ensure that low-income households have equitable access to critical online resources, such as job postings and telehealth, while also helping families and individuals remain connected to their communities.

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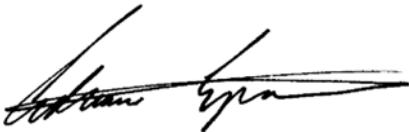
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I respectfully request funding for the PS 125 Playground Revitalization in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is New York City Public Schools which is located at 52 Chambers Street, New York, NY 10007.

Investing taxpayer dollars in this playground revitalization project is a fiscally responsible and strong use of public resources because it has the potential to directly improve health, safety, and educational outcomes of children and families in NY-13. This project is worthy of taxpayer funds because without the updates of the air conditioning system, the auditorium and gym, both public goods, could become permanently unusable.

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I respectfully request funding for the PS 185 Air Conditioning Modernization in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is New York City Public Schools which is located at 52 Chambers Street, New York, NY 10007.

Investing in climate control infrastructure in public schools is a cost-effective strategy to protect public health, preserve instructional time, and maximize the use of existing public assets. As extreme heat events become more frequent, maintaining safe indoor temperatures is essential to preventing heat-related illness while children exercise, staff teach, and relatives visit to celebrate academic milestones. Without adequate climate control, the full value of these programs cannot be realized during periods of extreme heat. With A/C, we can ensure the facility operates reliably and serves NY-13 families year-round.

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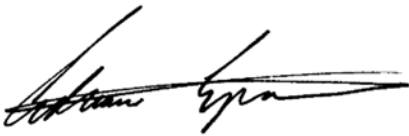
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I respectfully request funding for the PS 246 Bathroom Renovation in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is New York City Public Schools which is located at 52 Chambers Street, New York, NY 10007.

Research reveals students' perception of school's conditions are linked to their academic inclination and overall opinion of the school. A bright, well-equipped and well-maintained restroom indicates a positive and healthy environment where students develop an ownership of their community spaces and are able to witness the positive result of environmental stewardship.

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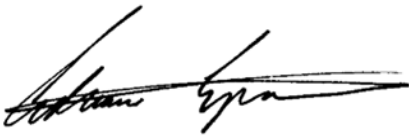
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I respectfully request funding for the West Prep Academy Playground Expansion in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is New York City Public Schools which is located at 52 Chambers Street, New York, NY 10007.

This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because daily physical-education and unstructured play space that improves student health, expands ADA-accessible recreation for hundreds of historically underserved children, fulfills commitments made during the school relocation, and enhances safety by keeping students on-site rather than relying on off-campus alternatives.

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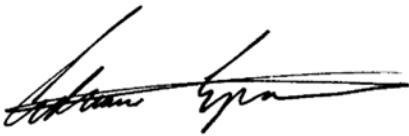
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I respectfully request funding for the Douglas I Houses Fire Safety Enhancements in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the New York City Housing Authority which is located at 90 Church Street, New York City, NY 10007.

This is a strong and responsible use of taxpayer funds because it directly protects lives while ensuring compliance with legally mandated safety standards. Upgrading fire detection systems at the Douglass Houses addresses a fundamental public obligation to provides safe, habitable housing for residents of the New York City Housing Authority.

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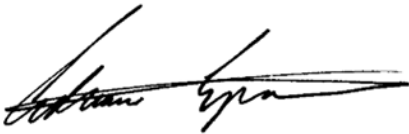
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I respectfully request funding for the Douglas I Houses Fire Safety Enhancements in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the New York City Housing Authority which is located at 90 Church Street, New York City, NY 10007.

This is a smart and impactful use of taxpayer funds because it addresses both immediate safety concerns and long-term community well-being. Investing in structural safety not only protects lives but also preserves public programs that prevent crime, increase economic mobility, and reduce reliance on emergency services. Every dollar spent on prevention and safety yields significant returns in public health, education, and community stability making this investment a powerful example of how federal support can drive equity and resilience in our communities.

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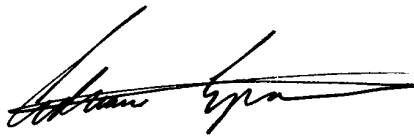
I am requesting funding for the Franklin Plaza Facade Renovations for Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the New York City Department of Housing Preservation & Development and is located at 100 Gold Street, New York, NY, 10038.

Through this funding, HPD will support the revitalization of the aging affordable housing stock in New York City, specifically, in the East Harlem neighborhood. This necessary construction will increase the safety of the building and the health of the residents. In a high-cost city like New York where the housing stock continually outpaces the demand, residents struggle to find reliable and affordable housing. Meeting the construction needs of this building will show a community investment into the safety and health of the resident as well as the affordable housing infrastructure.

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

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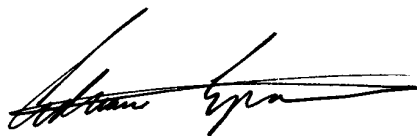
I am requesting funding for the Esplanade Gardens Renovations for Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the New York City Department of Housing Preservation & Development and is located at 100 Gold Street, New York, NY, 10038.

Through this funding, HPD will support the revitalization of the aging affordable housing stock in New York City, specifically, in the East Harlem neighborhood. This necessary construction will increase the safety of the building and the health of the residents. In a high-cost city like New York where the housing stock continually outpaces the demand, residents struggle to find reliable and affordable housing. Meeting the construction needs of this building will show a community investment into the safety and health of the resident as well as the affordable housing infrastructure.

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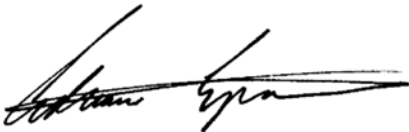
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I respectfully request funding for the East Gym and Auditorium Climate Control Modernization in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is New York City Public Schools which is located at 52 Chambers Street, New York, NY 10007.

This project is worthy of taxpayer funds because without the updates of the air conditioning system, the auditorium and gym, both public goods, could become permanently unusable. New York City recently put into effect legislation requiring cooling measures to be put in place for any classroom used for students, and preventing the use of spaces that reach above a certain temperature threshold.

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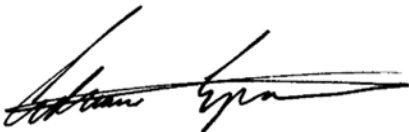
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I respectfully request funding for the Inwood Terrace Asbestos Abatement and Flooring Repair project in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Homes and Community Renewal (HCR) which is located at 641 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY. The project will be located at 99 Hillside Ave, New York

Through this funding, HCR will support the revitalization of the aging affordable housing stock in New York City, specifically, in the Inwood neighborhood. This necessary construction will increase the safety of the building and the health of the residents. In a high-cost city like New York where the housing stock continually outpaces the demand, residents struggle to find reliable and affordable housing. Meeting the construction needs of this building will show a community investment into the safety and health of the resident as well as the affordable housing infrastructure.

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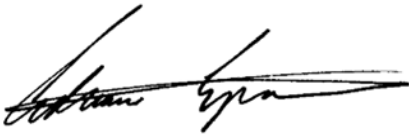
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I respectfully request funding for the Lehman College Campus Modernization and Community Advancement Initiative project in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Research Foundation of CUNY which is located at 230 West 41st Street, 7th Floor, New York, NY 10036-7207.

This request represents a responsible use of taxpayer funds by addressing critical infrastructure needs that directly impact public safety, accessibility, and long-term cost efficiency. Lehman College serves over 15,000 students and functions as a key public resource in the Bronx, where more than one in four residents lives below the poverty line and many rely on walking and public transit to access education, services, and community spaces.

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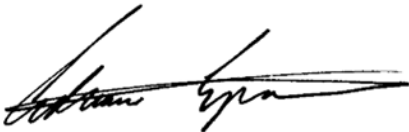
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I respectfully request funding for the Lincoln Houses Plumbing Stack Replacement in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the New York City Housing Authority which is located at 90 Church Street, New York City, NY 10007.

The Building Line Initiative is a smart investment because it tackles the root causes of leaks and mold, leading to healthier living conditions and improved quality of life for residents. By making comprehensive, long-term repairs instead of repeated temporary fixes, it reduces costly emergency maintenance and saves taxpayer money over time. Upgrading critical infrastructure also extends the lifespan of public housing buildings, preserving affordable housing for future generations. Accelerating these improvements in high-need developments ensures public funds are used efficiently where they have the greatest impact.

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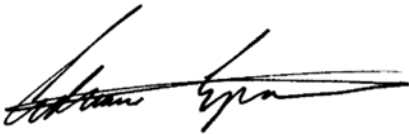
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I respectfully request funding for the Mexican Studies Institute Renovation and Expansion Project in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Research Foundation of CUNY which is located at 230 West 41st Street, 7th Floor, New York, NY 10036-7207.

This request represents a thoughtful and responsible use of taxpayer funds by investing in a public institution that serves a predominantly low- and moderate-income population in the Bronx. Lehman College enrolls over 15,000 students, many of whom are first-generation college students and residents of New York's 13th Congressional District, where more than one in four residents lives below the poverty line.

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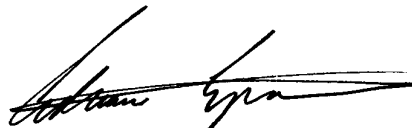
I am requesting funding for The City College of New York Campus Buses Fleet in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is New York City Department of Housing Preservation & Development located at 160 Convent Avenue, New York, NY 10037.

The City College of New York current student enrollment is just above 16,000 students and approx. 3000 full time and parttime faculty and staff. The majority of the campus community transit into the campus daily and rely on efficiently and effective modes of transportation to and from the college campus and included both the public transportation systems in NYC and the college transport system. Many of our students, faculty and staff resides NY-13 and immediate surrounding districts, but more importantly a significant portion of our students, faculty and staff, frequent business in and around the college and NY-13 while they are on campus daily or in their commute to and from the campus. This proposal will also provide our campus community with safe and reliable means of transport to and from campus especially in the early morning and late evening.

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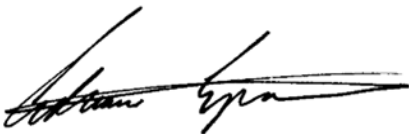
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I respectfully request funding for the Older Adult Center Van Acquisition in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the NYC Department for the Aging located at 309 Audubon Avenue, New York, NY 10033.

The New York City Department for the Aging (NYC Aging) provides older adult services to nearly 2 million older adults throughout the five boroughs. These services are free of charge and ensure that New Yorkers over 60 have access to meals, case assistance, socialization, mental health supports, and a number of other programs and services provided in older adult centers throughout the city. Providing transportation options for older adults is key to both ensuring they have access to senior centers and allows them to thrive in the neighborhoods they built so they can easily age-in-place. A number of vans used by NYC Aging funded centers are outdated and need to be updated in order to better serve the needs of older adults. This grant for a purchase of new vans allows NYC Aging to better meet their goal of combatting ageism, increase self-sufficiency, and truly making New York City a place where older adults can successfully age-in-place.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding is for purposes authorized by section 272 of title 15, United States Code. I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Adriano Espailat

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

March 27, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
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H-307 The Capitol
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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

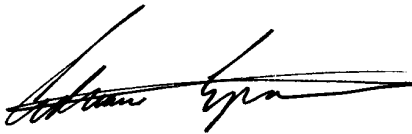
I am requesting funding for the 116th Street Lighting Acquisition and Installation for Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the New York City Department of Transportation and is located at 55 Water Street, New York, New York, 10041.

Inadequate lighting creates unsafe conditions for pedestrians, particularly seniors and students community during the early morning or evening hours. Local community partners have documented numerous safety concerns related to poor visibility along the corridor. Local businesses along the in the area report that inadequate lighting discourages evening foot traffic and commerce. By providing well-lit and safer streets, local partners estimate that these changes would generate a 15-20% increase in evening commercial activity. This is why local businesses have identified lighting improvements as a top priority for attracting new investments to vacant storefronts.

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

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

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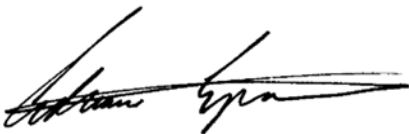
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I respectfully request funding for the City College of New York (CCNY) Urban Resource and Validation Facility in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Research Foundation of the City University of New York located at 160 Convent Avenue, New York, NY 10031. The funding will allow CCNY to assist New York City and other urban communities across the nation in finding and implementing solutions to the problems of municipal waste.

This request is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the findings from this project will help NYC reduce wastewater treatment operating costs and waste handling requirements. Because large urban wastewater systems across the country face similar cost, operational, and emissions pressures, data generated here can inform decisions in other cities confronting the same issues. This project also provides CCNY students—many from Upper Manhattan communities—hands-on research experience and workforce preparation in water infrastructure operations, a critical public sector with strong career pathways. CCNY serves a large population of first-generation, Pell-eligible, and commuter students from Upper Manhattan and surrounding communities in NY-13. This project creates direct employment pathways to NYC DEP and regional water utilities, offering high-skill careers in environmental infrastructure.

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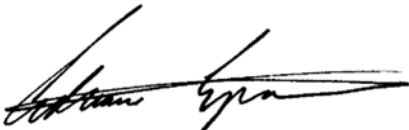
I respectfully request funding for the Expanding the Capabilities of the Harlem Materials Lab project in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Research Foundation of the City University of New York d/b/a Advanced Science Research Center located at 85 St. Nicholas Terrace, New York, NY. The project will be located at 461 West 126th Street in New York, NY 10027-4523.

CUNY is the largest urban public university system in the United States, serving more than 240,000 degree-seeking students, many from historically underrepresented backgrounds in STEM. This project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because by providing access to advanced research infrastructure, this project creates pathways for students, researchers, and entrepreneurs to participate directly in high-growth technology sectors.

Over a ten-year period, the project is projected to support approximately 750 jobs through direct facility operations, startup companies using the facility, and workforce training programs connected to the lab's activities. It is estimated that more than 3,000 constituents will directly benefit from workforce training, startup employment, educational programming, and research partnerships enabled by the Harlem Materials Lab.

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