

**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515-4329**

May 23, 2025

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

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Appropriations Committee  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Mason Park Community Center Improvement Project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Houston Parks and Recreation Department, located at P.O. Box 1562, Houston, TX 77251. The funding would be used to renovate the park's community center, which includes demolition, land levelling, storm resistance, and the renovation of the building including electrical and utilities. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will provide positive youth developmental opportunities, senior/adult recreational and leisure programming, and pride in this beloved, historic community park. Mason Park primarily serves a majority Hispanic, under-resourced community in southeast Houston.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1).

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

Sincerely,



Member of Congress