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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
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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 Carl Schurz Park Public Restroom Renovation in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the New York City Department of Parks and Recreation, located at 830 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10065. This project will reconstruct the restroom, which can deliver a modern facility to the community that meets their needs. The project will provide children, caregivers, and families with a new restroom for use while they are at the playground. Restroom facilities are important for people of all ages to be able to extend their stay in parks and make for a more comfortable experience. It is near Gracie Mansion and the East River Esplanade, two significant attractions in the neighborhood, and the playgrounds attract many families in the neighborhood.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because these upgrades will improve safety, accessibility, and usability of the restroom by upgrading deteriorated infrastructure, allow more people to enjoy the park, and enhance safety for all.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2), 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(4), and 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(5).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, nor does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Jerrold Nadler
Member of Congress