

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
2358-A Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
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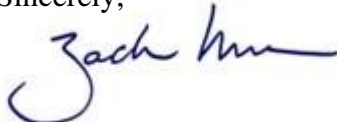
Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting that the Appropriations Committee provide a funding level of \$450,000 for the Community Education Classroom at the American Gothic House Center as a community project funding request in Fiscal Year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Wapello Heritage Foundation. The funding would be used to add a community education classroom to the American Gothic House Center (AGHC) located in Eldon, Iowa, to provide unforgettable educational services to schools and the public. The west door of the existing building would lead to an approximately 2,560 square foot ground level addition that is large enough to seat 100 folks. Placement of the doorway allows separation of these rooms to allow after hours rentals or events. Storage space is planned which was not considered in the existing building. Now the only storage is an outdoor shed that is not climate controlled. Concept drawings by Shive-Hattery Engineering Firm include features to complement the existing adjacent American Gothic House (AGH): board-batten siding; pitched roof; AGH view centered in a north picture window; and interior furnishings will match the barn shown in "American Gothic."

The project has a Federal nexus because it is authorized under Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

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

Sincerely,



Rep. Zach Nunn (IA-03)