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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 Committee on Appropriations 2358-A Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Community Education Classroom at the American Gothic House Center in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Wapello Heritage Foundation. The project is located at 300 American Gothic Street, Eldon, Iowa 52554. The funding would be used to add a community education classroom to the American Gothic House Center (AGHC) 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."

This project has a federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in 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 have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

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Rep. Zach Nunn (IA-03)