Congress of the United States

STACEY E. PLASKETT VIRGIN ISLANDS

House of Representatives

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Project Cultiv8te in fiscal year 2026. The non-profit project sponsor to receive funding for this project is Community Restore Inc., located at 4500 Hugh Howell Road PMB 1005, Tucker, Georgia, 30084. The anticipated location of the project is Candido Guadalupe Terrace, Christiansted, St. Croix, Virgin Islands 00820.

The requested funding would be used for an initiative created in response to increased gun violence throughout the U.S. Virgin Islands. The project will provide after-school programming for students 8-18 years of age, including engagement with law enforcement and career professionals, scholastic assistance, and technical skills development. This funding is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds as it will assist efforts to provide youth crime diversion activities. The project will provide monthly and quarterly reports to assess educational achievement and behavioral impacts.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

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

Sincerely,

Stacey E/Plaskett

Member of Congress