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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
2413 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1026 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting fiscal year 2023 community project funding for the Community First Tiny Homes Build Out Phase III project in the Virgin Islands.

The non-profit entity to receive funding for this project is Liberty Place, Inc., located at 82ABC Whim, Frederiksted, St Croix VI 00840. The anticipated location of the project is 82-C Whim Rd, Frederiksted, St Croix, VI 00841.

The requested funding would be used by the non-profit organization, Liberty Place, Inc., to build 25 Permanent Supportive Housing units - tiny homes – on their campus, with wrap-around medical and behavioral health services to formerly chronically homeless individuals and small families.

This project is a sound use of taxpayer funding because the project will help house those homeless individuals who lost access to affordable housing due to Hurricane Maria in 2017. These homeless individuals and small families have limited access to medical and behavioral health services. According to the non-profit sponsor, Liberty Place, Inc., a recent report from White & Reed of Abt Associates stated there is a need for 442 local Permanent Supportive Housing units throughout the Virgin Islands. This project will provide permanent housing and support for those homeless individuals in temporary shelters who have conditions requiring daily attention that prohibit them from independent living in private or public housing.

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

Sincerely,



Stacey E. Plaskett
Member of Congress