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March 31, 2023

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Kittridge Athletic Fields in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is DeKalb County Department of Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Affairs, located at 1950 W Exchange PI # 4, Tucker, GA 30084.

The funding would be used to replace fencing around athletic fields, renovate the natural sod baseball fields, replace dugouts, rehabilitate the bleachers, upgrade field lighting and scoreboards. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the fields also serve as a place where both adults and youth build a sense of community among their teammates and the parents with volunteer opportunities to give back to the community. Athletic fields are the gathering places where lifelong friendship can happen. After the completion of the renovations the athletic fields can become part of the economic engine, with local and regional tournament play. These events bring exposure to the facility and the community around it with increased spending in the area on things like food, lodging, and supplies.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,

Member of Congress