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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

"I am requesting funding for an Outdoor Recreation Space for Homeless Children, DuPage Pads, DuPage County, 6th Congressional District in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is DuPage Pads (EIN: 36-3675494), located at 601 West Liberty, Wheaton, IL 60187. The funding would be used for the construction of a playground and outdoor space at their facility. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this project will provide children experiencing homelessness who are receiving emergency shelter with a safe, onsite playground space to engage in recreational activities. Currently, the children who stay at the interim housing center do not have access to a place to play outside because they are not within walking distance of a park. On any given night, approximately one-third of DuPage County's homeless population are children.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(4).

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

Sincerely,

Sean Casten

Member of Congress

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