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May 17, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Appropriations Committee
H-307 – The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
H-307 – The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funds for the Chickasaw Nation- Chickasaw Heritage Center as a community project funding request. The intended recipient is the Chickasaw Nation, located at 520 E. Arlington, Ada, OK 74820, with the project being located at 1931 Gun Club Road, Tupelo, MS 38801. This is a good use of taxpayer funds because investing in the Chickasaw Heritage Center ensures the teaching of the Chickasaw Nation while boosting the local economy and tourism. The Chickasaw Nation will be the recipient, and the funds will go to building the Chickasaw Heritage Center. State, local, and tribal governments have also committed funding to a local foundation which will assist in the building and then administration of the Chickasaw Heritage Center once completed.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Trent Kelly'.

Trent Kelly
Member of Congress