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Hon. Kay Granger, Chairwoman
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Hon. Rosa DeLauro, Ranking Member
1036 Longworth House Office Building
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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:


I am requesting funding for the **Regional Food Pantry Facility, Wareham, Plymouth County, Massachusetts, 9th Congressional District Project** in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is **The Family Pantry – Damien’s Place** located at **3065 Cranberry Hwy, East Wareham, MA**. The funding will be used to build a permanent facility to provide one of the most basic needs, food, to the most vulnerable in our community, seniors, the disabled, children, the working poor, and those unemployed. For these individuals and families, hope is sometimes provided in a carriage full of groceries and we plan to be there for them in their time of need.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because Damien's Family Food Pantry plays a critical role in food security for many vulnerable groups. Hunger carries with it severe and long-lasting physiological, psychological, and behavioral problems if left unaddressed, and these costs are often borne by the taxpayers.

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,


WILLIAM R. KEATING
Member of Congress