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The Hon. Rosa L. DeLauro
Chairwoman
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Hon. Kay Granger
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

As you draft fiscal year 2023 appropriations legislation, I write to request consideration of the following Community Project Funding request submitted to my office:

- **Historic Driver Opera House Restoration – Darlington, WI**
 - **Amount:** \$250,000
 - **Recipient:** Driver Opera House Restoration, Inc.
 - **Address:** 250 Main St., P.O. Box 62
Darlington, WI 53530
 - **Purpose:** For the restoration of the Historic Driver Opera House in Darlington, WI. Specifically, these funds are anticipated to contribute to the installation of a heating and cooling system (which will allow events to be hosted year-round), an elevator (which will allow the second-floor of the opera house to be ADA accessible), and bathrooms. Each of these components is vital to ensure the full restoration of the Opera House which will not be possible without these initial investments. The Historic Driver Opera was built in 1883, was listed as part of a historic district on the National Register of Historic Places in 1994, and is a vital tourism contributor for the tri-state area.

I thank you for your full and fair consideration of this request. I certify neither I, nor my immediate family, have any financial interest in this Community Project Funding request, and I have made it publicly available on my website at the following address: <https://pocan.house.gov/community-and-member-designated-project-requests>. Please do not hesitate to contact me anytime with any

questions or concerns, and your staff may contact David Bagby of my staff at (202) 225-2906 or david.bagby@mail.house.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mark Pocan', with a large circular flourish at the end.

Mark Pocan
Member of Congress