June 4, 2021

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for C.W. Thomas Park Redevelopment in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Dania Beach, located at 100 W Dania Beach Blvd, Dania Beach, Florida 33004.

The funding would be used for the rebuilding of C.W. Thomas Park, a 6-acre park that primarily serves as the recreational, social, and civic center for several low-moderate income neighborhoods. The existing structure, pool, and field-court layout are inefficient and do not serve the residents’ level of use and diversity of activities. In 2020, the Dania Beach City Commission adopted the Parks Master Plan, which includes the demolition and reconstruction of the existing Community Center, construction of one football field, a baseball park, a basketball court, kids' playgrounds, a new pedestrian walkway, and site improvements. It is a good use of tax dollars because federal funding would provide a much-needed Community Center and outlet for low-income families and disadvantaged children.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Debbie Wasserman Schultz
Member of Congress