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The Honorable Mike Quigley
Chairman
Subcommittee on Financial Services and
General Government
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Steve Womack
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Financial Services and
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U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Chair Quigley and Ranking Member Womack,

I am requesting funding for Launch New York, Inc. in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Launch New York incorporated, located at 77 Goodell Street, Buffalo, New York, 14203. These funds will be used to for Launch NY to introduce its expansion program to increase the volume and impact of outreach and delivery of its pro bono mentoring and preparation for seed capital investment to high-impact startups in Erie and Niagara counties. The program will include targeted outreach campaigns, partner engagement, and recruitment of diversified mentors, all of which will funnel into delivery of multiple elements: weekly group and individual mentorship in virtual and in person formats, weekly investor education and company referrals for investment via virtual and in person formats, and technical assistance for company financing.

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

Sincerely,



Brian Higgins
Member of Congress