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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for City of Yakima in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is City of Yakima, located at 129 North Second Street, Yakima, Washington, 98901.

The funding would be used for The City of Yakima is requesting funds to construct a new terminal building for Yakima Air Terminal-McAllister Field. The original Yakima Air terminal was constructed in the 1950s, and it was last remodeled in the late 1990s. The terminal building has outlived its useful life and is in dire need of replacement. Various structural components of the existing terminal building and floor layout have created challenges. Terminal entry areas, ticketing counters, and TSA screening have all been identified as areas of operational inefficiencies. Additionally, new federal requirements mandating additional passenger screening areas have taken away the limited space currently available to passengers.

The inadequate size of the terminal was particularly apparent during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, as social distancing is impossible. The City of Yakima has experienced continued challenges to its tax revenues and because of this, the City has been unable to budget for a capital project of this size.

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

Sincerely, Dan Newhouse Member of Congress