April 27, 2021

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
2358-B Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for Construction Trades Expansion in fiscal year 2022. The entity to receive funding for this project is WorkSystems Inc., located at 1618 SW 1st Avenue, Portland, Oregon, 97201.

The requested federal funding will be used to recruit, screen, train, and retain diverse jobseekers into successful registered apprenticeship pathways in construction jobs, including women and people of color. WorkSystems will also contribute additional leveraged funding to support wrap around support services such as child care, housing, transportation. WorkSystems will use their statewide database tracking system (I-Trac) to track outcomes and conduct evaluations of this project. This continuum of activities will increase the pipeline of diverse workers from the local community into well-paying careers in the trades.

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

Sincerely,

Suzanne Bonamici
Member of Congress