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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Committee on Appropriations 2207 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 2413 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for A CASA for Every Child in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Oregon CASA Network (OCN), located at 1631 NE Broadway St. #304, Portland, Oregon 97232. The funding would be used for staffing costs necessary to recruit, train, supervise, and support community volunteers to provide court appointed advocacy to children and young people experiencing foster care. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will help OCN and local CASA programs to continue to provide critical support and trauma informed advocacy for children experiencing foster care due to abuse or neglect.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. §10152).

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

Sincerely,

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