April 29, 2022

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
H-307, United States Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
H-307, United States Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Gwinnett Public Library Foundation for the development of the Hooper-Renwick African American Heritage Collection in fiscal year 2023. The project sponsor is Gwinnett Public Library Foundation located at 1001 Lawrenceville Highway, Lawrenceville, GA 30046.

Funding for this program would be used to support the development of a new public library at the site of Gwinnett County’s only school for Black students in the years before desegregation. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits:

1. Increasing public awareness around African American history.
2. Expanding access to literature and amplifying the voices of Black authors.

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

Sincerely,

Carolyn Bourdeaux
Member of Congress