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On Behalf Of:

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Capital Construction

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To the Joint Subcommittee on Capital Construction,

I am writing to express my unequivocal support of Consejo Hispano's request for public funding for the purchase of Casa Mariposa, a former church in the heart of Astoria, which is destined to become a permanent, stable center for essential community services on the North Coast. Consejo Hispano is well-regarded with a track record of effectively advocating for and supporting historically under-served communities that are critical to our economy and society. As a neighbor and urban planning professional, I cannot think of a better location for this center.

This region needs Casa Mariposa; it is an essential investment in the Hispanic Community. Consejo Hispano is a financially lean, but highly effective organization; legislative support for property purchase would enable this organization to continue to devote its resources in service to the community.

I urge the Capital Construction Subcommittee to give this funding request their favorable consideration.

Regards,

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