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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**

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Rosa L. DeLauro  
Chairwoman  
House Appropriations Committee  
H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

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

Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting \$900,000 in funding for the onMain Dayton Exposition Hall Renovation in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is onMain, Inc., located at 110 North Main Street, Suite 1250, Dayton, OH 45402.

The funding would be used to renovate the Exposition Hall building which was constructed in 1874, is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and was the center piece of the former Montgomery County Fairgrounds that occupied the site for nearly 150 years. As the only remaining building on the site of the Fairgrounds, protecting the Exhibition Hall from further deterioration is important to ensuring that a planned future adaptive reuse is viable. The scope of work involves reconstruction of a new cupola that was destroyed in a fire, installation of new windows to match the original openings, and repair and replacement of exterior siding.

The Exhibition Hall renovation is part of "onMain," a major mixed-use redevelopment initiative that will transform a 38-acre site just south of downtown Dayton for job creation and economic development. The onMain vision for redeveloping the former Montgomery County Fairgrounds integrates the Exposition Hall as primary feature and organizing element for the master plan. The exterior renovation of the Hall will safeguard the building for its future reuse and will demonstrate to the Dayton community onMain's commitment to retaining this important landmark.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael R. Turner".

Michael R. Turner  
Member of Congress