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April 27, 2022

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

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

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for “Convergence – A Partnership to Increase Access to Affordable Child Care in San Diego,” in Fiscal Year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Division of Extended Studies at the University of California, San Diego, located at 9500 Gilman Drive, La Jolla, CA 92093.

The funding would be used by the Division of Extended Studies to offer credit-bearing coursework that culminates in a university-issued certificate or award for center directors, teachers, and aides, with instruction in both English and Spanish. These classes would be subsidized and provide participants with the skills and knowledge they need to work or advance in the child care field. Qualified participants would be placed into jobs at SAY San Diego and YMCA child care centers. As a result, the project would directly address the shortage of child care workers while also strengthening the early childhood education training pipeline. This effort to increase the child care workforce would allow SAY San Diego, the YMCA, and UC San Diego to expand their child care programs beyond their current capacities.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sara Jacobs', written in a cursive style.

Sara Jacobs
Member of Congress