

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

December 18, 2025

The Honorable Cindy Hyde-Smith
Chair
Senate Committee on Appropriations
Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing, and Urban
Development, and Related Agencies
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Kirsten Gillibrand
Ranking Member
Senate Committee on Appropriations
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Dear Chair Hyde-Smith and Ranking Member Gillibrand:

The purpose of this letter is to request a technical correction to a Congressionally Directed Spending item included in the FY2026 Senate Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development, and Related Agencies bill, listed below. I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the Congressionally Directed Spending items that I have requested, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate. I certify that the entity for which I have requested Congressionally Directed Spending is not a for-profit entity.

The nature of the requested technical correction is a change to the project name. The project name, as included in the Senate FY2026 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Subcommittee (THUD) report references the acquisition and conversion of a specific property, Williston Immanuel church, into affordable housing units. This specific property can no longer be purchased, but the recipient is positioned to use the Congressionally Directed Spending recommended in the Senate FY2026 THUD report to acquire and conduct soil remediation on an alternative property, which will be converted into affordable housing units for households at or below 80% area median income. This requested change to the project name is consistent with the original project purpose: “to acquire and renovate a building for affordable housing.”

Account funded in: HUD EDI

Project Name in FY2026 Senate Report: Williston Immanuel Affordable Housing

Recipient in FY2026 Senate Report: Avesta Housing Development Corporation

Project Purpose as originally requested in Legi-Mate: To acquire and renovate a building for affordable housing.

Request for technical change: Change the project name to “Affordable Husing Property Acquisition and Remediation.”

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "August S. King, Jr." The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath it.