April 29, 2022

The House Committee on Appropriations
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman DeLauro and Ranking Minority Member Granger:

I am requesting $800,000 for a Community Project Funding request. The intended recipient is the Foundation United, P.O. Box 5576, Sarasota, Florida 34277. This funding will be used by the Foundation United to assist law enforcement, and others, in building their own set of tools, skills and expertise ultimately leading to increased identification and rescue of human trafficking victims. Foundation United will share its practical, proven, collaborative strategies designed to increase victim healing, stability and cooperation, create prosecutable cases and hold predators accountable. Foundation United also proposes to work with law enforcement in a top-down approach to ensure that educators and students and recognize the red flags of sexual abuse and identify when human trafficking is taking place. This funding will allow the Foundation to bring this life-saving program to school and youth organization personnel nationally to prevent students/youth from sexual exploitation and allow communities to protect children and recognize the needs of those seeking help.

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

Sincerely,

Vern Buchanan
Member of Congress