April 28, 2022

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

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1016 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting planning and design funding for the proposed construction of a one-story Advanced Individual Training (AIT) Barracks on Fort Buchanan, Puerto Rico in Fiscal Year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the U.S. Army Reserve, located at 101 Bloxon Street, Building 205, Suite 207, Fort Myer, Virginia 22211.

The purpose of this project is to fund the planning and design for the proposed construction of a one-story Advanced Individual Training (AIT) Barracks on Fort Buchanan, Puerto Rico to accommodate 48 soldiers for the 1-333rd Regiment (Multifunctional Training Battalion) schoolhouse. Currently, there are no barracks on Fort Buchanan. Without this project, the training missions for the 1-333rd REGT (MFTB) schoolhouse will continue to be negatively impacted, resulting in diminished training effectiveness and efficiency as well as negative recruiting and retention. The requested planning and design funding is needed to make the AIT Barracks project 35 percent design and shovel ready.

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

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Jennifer Gonzalez-Colon
Member of Congress