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The Honorable Bill Hagerty
Chairman
Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government
U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Jack Reed
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government
U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Hagerty and Ranking Member Reed:

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 in the Fiscal Year 2027 Subcommittee on Financial Services and Government Appropriations bill, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate. None of the entities for which I have requested congressionally directed spending are for-profit entities.

Sincerely,



Sheldon Whitehouse
United States Senator

**Whitehouse, Sheldon(D-RI) Financial Services and General Government
Congressionally Directed Spending Requests**

Recipient Name	Project Purpose	Project Location	Amount Requested (\$000)
Small Business Collective	For a small business innovation hub	Middletown RI	\$500
Rhode Island Commerce Corporation	to provide AI technical support to small businesses	Providence RI	\$700
RIHub	For expansion of startup business support and mentoring	Providence RI	\$370
Rhode Island Commerce Corporation	For ocean technology and maritime startup business support	Providence RI	\$400
Social Enterprise Greenhouse	For small business support and technical services	Providence RI	\$540
Foundation for the New England Medical Innovation Center	for business support services for health care startups	Providence RI	\$500
DESIGNxRI	for the design catalyst program	Providence RI	\$100
DESIGNxRI	for small business AI technical assistance	Providence RI	\$75
University of Rhode Island	for small business innovation	South Kingstown RI	\$1,800
Skills for Rhode Island's Future	For small business technical support	Statewide RI	\$2,000
Rhode Island Business Development Institute Inc.	for small business technical support	Statewide RI	\$800
Skills for Rhode Island's Future	For small business incubator space and technical support	Statewide RI	\$2,000