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Rosa L. DeLauro Chairwoman House Appropriations Committee H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 Kay Granger Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding \$1.25 million for the Cassano Health Center Renovation and Revitalization in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Grandview Foundation located at 405 W. Grand Avenue, Dayton, OH 45405.

The funding would be used to support the \$2.5 million renovation and expansion of the Cassano Health Center, Dayton, Ohio's largest provider of primary and specialty care and wrap around social services to underserved members of the Dayton community. Staffed by Grandview Hospital (Kettering Health) resident physicians and their attending trainers, the clinic ensures that marginalized groups have access to an ongoing medical home and critically, to the specialists they need. An established relationship with trusted providers at Cassano helps prevent patients from seeking expensive and episodic care at emergency rooms across Dayton.

Cassano Health Center is home base for the training of health professionals in family medicine and internal medicine, and specialty training in general surgery, orthopedic and hand surgery, neurology, nephrology and radiology. In addition to chronic disease management, mental health and substance abuse services, ancillary services such as pharmacy, imaging and laboratory, create a one-stop medical home for thousands of low-income patients annually. Other services offered include health education classes, diabetes education, nutrition and general wellness. However, existing facilities are aging and in need of renovation to ensure quality services can continue to be provided into the future.

If the project is not funded, renovation will be limited to improving general conditions of existing facility. No expansion of services or new equipment will be possible, which precludes ability of residency program to add positions in the future. In addition to growing the number of health professionals trained in Dayton, this funding will allow for more patient care and additional services to address social determinants of health in the sensitive population cared for by the providers at Cassano Health Center.

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Sincerely,

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