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House of Representatives
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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Delhi Hospital Outpatient Therapy and Diabetes Education Center Expansion Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Hospital Service District No. 1A of the Parish of Richland, located at 407 Cincinnati Street, Delhi, LA 71232.

The funding would be used to construct an outpatient therapy and community health center in the rural community of Delhi, Louisiana. The building would house physical, occupational, speech, and pediatric therapy offices. It would also contain an office for a certified diabetes education program, with a registered dietitian, and serve as a community health resource center.

This project is a good use of taxpayer funding because of the project's critical role in addressing the healthcare needs of a rural and underserved population. The project presents a strategic opportunity to cut healthcare costs while simultaneously maximizing the value of taxpayer dollars. By investing in preventative care and early intervention, this project addresses healthcare needs at their root, ultimately leading to substantial long-term savings for both patients and the healthcare system.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

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

I request you give this project every consideration, consistent with all rules and regulations. Thank you for your attention to this request. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,



Julia Letlow, Ph.D.
MEMBER OF CONGRESS