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The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Chair Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Advanced Lung Disease Care Management at Hillsdale Hospital in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Hillsdale Community Health Center, DBA Hillsdale Hospital, located at 168 South Howell Street, Hillsdale Michigan 49242.

The funding would be used to provide advanced medical care support to patients who suffer pulmonary diseases through the deployment of advanced medical technology called EBUS (endobronchial ultrasound) utilized by a Hillsdale Hospital trained pulmonologist. This equipment would allow Hillsdale Hospital to serve a greater population within its service area consisting of Branch, Hillsdale and Lenawee Counties totaling a population of 186,000 residents. Hillsdale Hospital and surrounding areas do not offer this new equipment and therefore its patients must drive out of their respective communities into larger hospital systems to receive care. Hillsdale Hospital is a non-profit hospital, providing service to a high rate of Medicaid and Medicare patients totaling nearly 70% its patients.

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

Sincerely,

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