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March 25, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Expanding Access to Rural Healthcare with (Otolaryngologists) ENT Services at St. Mary's project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is St. Mary's Healthcare located at 427 Guy Park Avenue, Amsterdam NY, 12010. The funding would be used for a larger, state of the art space for (Otolaryngologists) ENT service on the main campus of the hospital located in Amsterdam, New York. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would help expand and recruit specialty care providers and services to the New York's 20th district and serves to keep care local, preserving the financial stability of independent rural healthcare in New York.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized under the Public Health Service Act.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul D. Tonko".

Paul D. Tonko
Member of Congress