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Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives

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The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Enhancing Healthcare Accessibility and Specialty Care in Monroe Washington project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Snohomish County Public Hospital District No. 1 dba EvergreenHealth Monroe, located at 14701 179th Avenue SE, Monroe, WA, 98272. The funding would be used to complete the buildout and renovation of specialty care spaces in its hospital to meet the growing needs of the district. The result of this expansion is that EvergreenHealth Monroe will be able to provide a range of specialized healthcare services, including orthopedics, cardiology, Ear, Nose, and Throat (ENT), urology, and rheumatology, to residents of East Snohomish County.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because there is a need for accessible specialty care services within the local community. The building expansion and acquisition of equipment for sub-specialties allows residents of East Snohomish County to access a broader spectrum of medical services within their local community. Enhanced accessibility guarantees timely assessment and treatment for patients, ultimately culminating in superior health outcomes.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



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Suzan K. DelBene  
Member of Congress