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March 27, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, The Capitol
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Via Care Health and Wellness Center Construction Project in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding is Via Care Community Health Center, Inc located at 3601 E. 1st Street, Los Angeles, CA 90063.

This project would replace an outdated clinic and significantly increasing access to care. Via Care Community Health Center requests funding for their \$39,607,457 state-of-the-art Via Care Health and Wellness Center, which will serve low-income East Los Angeles residents. In addition to full-scope medical, dental, wellness classes, supportive services and a retail pharmacy, innovative features include an entire floor dedicated to behavioral health and an open-network urgent care. This \$2,000,000 request would be allocated toward the construction costs for the project. This is a one-time request for support and will not require additional federal funding.

This project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the project is a cost-effective strategy to expand access to comprehensive, high-quality care for over 7,000 low-income patients annually in an underserved East Los Angeles community. Replacing an outdated and overcrowded facility with a modern, integrated clinic will improve health outcomes, reduce reliance on emergency services, and lower long-term public healthcare costs.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jimmy Gomez".

Jimmy Gomez
Member of Congress