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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-6502

March 27, 2026

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

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

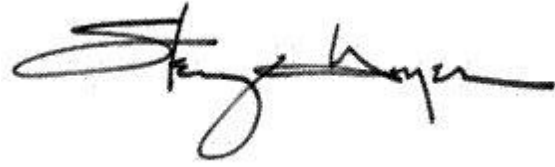
Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Nuclear Medicine Modernization Initiative project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center, located at 5 Garrett Ave, La Plata, MD 20646. The funding would be used to replace aging nuclear medicine equipment, which is limiting both diagnostic precision and the patient experience. Modern imaging systems transform what's possible by capturing exceptionally detailed, high-resolution images, shortening scan times, and incorporating advanced safety features that protect patients and staff. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because UM Charles Regional Medical Center's mission is to provide safe, high quality, accessible care close to home in a rural area, and upgrading to a new SPECT/CT or PET/CT system directly supports that promise. Modern imaging gives patients clearer results, faster scans, and more accurate answers, replacing equipment that can no longer reliably meet their needs.

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

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steny Hoyer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

STENY H. HOYER