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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairman Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa Delauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515

Chairman Granger and Ranking Member Delauro:

I am requesting funding for the Hale County Healthcare Authority Emergency Department project in Fiscal Year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Hale County Authority Emergency Department, located at 508 Greene St, Greensboro, AL 36744. The funding would be used for the construction of a new emergency department on the hospital campus. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds, because it would advance the goals of Hale County Hospital in providing exceptional quality medical care for the rural and underserved communities. This project will help Hale County Hospital in addressing health inequities faced by citizens in Hale County and the Black Belt. With an average annual visit of 10,000, the current emergency department is operating beyond space capacity without negative pressure rooms or the ability to isolate infectious patients. The new emergency department would add the much-needed square footage and treatment rooms to provide a safer, comfortable environment for both our staff and patients.

The project has a federal nexus, because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in 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,

Terri A. Sewell

Member of Congress