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The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chair  
House Committee on Appropriations  
H-218, The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Committee on Appropriations  
H-218, The Capitol  
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Improving Rural Health Outcomes for Findlay, OH, and the Surrounding Region in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Blanchard Valley Health System (BVHS) located at 1900 S. Main St., Findlay, OH. The funding would be used to purchase a new Intuitive da Vinci 5 Single Console System for BVHS's surgical unit. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will advance healthcare in Findlay, OH, and the surrounding rural region, and will help keep BVHS competitive by attracting patients and surgical talent to the region.

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 have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Robert E. Latta  
Member of Congress