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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-3221

May 22, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations,
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations,
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Saratoga Hospital Oral and Emergency Dental Care Expansion Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Saratoga Hospital, located at 211 Church Street, Saratoga Springs, New York 12866.

The funding would be used to expand access to affordable oral and emergency dental care for children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, underserved populations, and working families throughout the Saratoga region. The project includes acquisition of advanced dental equipment and imaging technology, specialized treatment equipment for medically complex and IDD patients, expansion of community-based and school-linked access services, tele-dentistry capabilities, and workforce capacity improvements to increase treatment availability and reduce wait times.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it strengthens regional healthcare access, reduces avoidable emergency room utilization caused by untreated dental conditions, improves preventive care capacity for underserved populations, and supports more efficient delivery of community-based healthcare services. By expanding same-day urgent treatment access and increasing provider capacity, the project will improve health outcomes while reducing long-term public healthcare costs.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 330(e) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. §254b(e)) and activities eligible under the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) community health and healthcare access authorities.

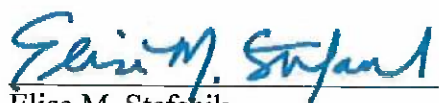
I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Elise M. Stefanik". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Elise M. Stefanik
Member of Congress