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The Hon. Tom Cole Chairman House Committee on Appropriations 2207 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515 The Hon. Rosa L. DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 2413 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Mt. Horeb, WI Rural Health & Employment Services Facility Construction project in Fiscal Year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is:

Madison Area Rehabilitation Centers (MARC), Inc. 225 Blue Mounds St. Mt Horeb, WI 53572

The funding would support the construction of a new facility to provide essential health and employment services for adults with developmental disabilities in a rural community. The new facility will double the individuals with disabilities receiving care, reduce the number of individuals waiting for services, create direct support jobs boosting the local economy, and enable more people with disabilities to receive job coaching supports in the community. This project is an appropriate use of federal funds because this new building would serve as an essential public health resource for individuals with disabilities in and around Mt Horeb, a rural community with extremely limited access to healthcare, job support, and social services. MARC is one of the only Medicaid providers in the Village of Mt Horeb and surrounding rural counties serving adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 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,

Mark Pocan Member of Congress