

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-4206

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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

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

In re: FY 27 Community Project Funding - Expansion and Modernization of Cookeville Regional Medical Center Emergency Department

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Expansion and Modernization of Cookeville Regional Medical Center Emergency Department in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Cookeville Regional Medical Center, located at 1 Medical Center Blvd., Cookeville, Tennessee 3850. The funding would be used for construction and equipment of an expanded Emergency Department at Cookeville Regional Medical Center, increasing capacity from 46 to 62 beds and improving patient flow, safety, and access to care. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it addresses critical emergency care needs for a rural, underserved population, enhances patient outcomes and staff efficiency, and strengthens the region's healthcare infrastructure for long-term community benefit.

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,



John Rose
Member of Congress