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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the **Frederiksted Health Care Ingeborg-Nesbitt Health Center Renovation and Modernization** in fiscal year 2027. The non-profit entity project sponsor to receive funding for this project is Frederiksted Health Care, Inc. (FHC), located in the U.S. Virgin Islands at 516 Strand Street, Frederiksted, VI 00840. The anticipated location of the project is 516 Strand Street, Frederiksted, VI 00840.

The requested funding would be used by FHC to renovate approximately 12,750 square feet of the Ingeborg-Nesbitt Health Center, adding 10 medical exam rooms, a dispensing pharmacy, four behavioral health counseling rooms, case management workspace, and a behavioral health manager office; acquire specialized clinical equipment; replace aging HVAC systems; and upgrade plumbing, cistern, and electrical systems. FHC is the only Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) on St. Croix, currently serving 9,000 individuals annually. The permanent 2025 closure of the Lena Schulerbrandt Health Center eliminated access for nearly 2,700 patients. This project restores and expands that lost capacity, enabling FHC to serve up to 3,000 additional patients annually. This funding is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will strengthen primary care access, restore critical health infrastructure, and expand behavioral health and pharmacy services for residents of the U.S. Virgin Islands.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized under the Public Health Service Act.

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

Sincerely,



Stacey E. Plaskett
Member of Congress