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## Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Appropriations Committee Republicans H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
Democrats
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Garrett Regional Medical Center (GRMC) Radiology/Oncology Department Expansion Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Garrett Regional Medical Center, located at 251 N 4th Street, Oakland, Maryland 21550-1375. The funding would be used to support the design and engineering phase of a critical expansion of the GRMC Radiology/Oncology Department, including site planning, engineering, and environmental analysis. This pre-construction work will enable GRMC to move forward with building a radiation treatment facility, improving local access to cancer care for underserved residents. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it addresses significant barriers to cancer care in a rural, underserved region, where residents face higher rates of cancer and limited access to treatment. The project will reduce the physical, financial, and emotional burdens on patients by bringing radiation therapy closer to home, improving health equity and outcomes in the area. The project has a federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in 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,

April McClain Delaney Member of Congress