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

March 27, 2026

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Brockport Behavioral Health and Medical Services Expansion in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Oak Orchard Community Health Center, located at 300 West Avenue, Brockport, NY 14420.

The funding would be used to expand and reconfigure the Brockport office to better integrate Behavioral Health and medical services. Funding will support essential building rehabilitation and long-term upgrades, including additional therapist offices and co-location of behavioral health and medical staff. Currently, Behavioral Health providers are dispersed throughout the building, creating coordination challenges. Consolidation will enhance collaboration, support whole-person care, and increase capacity to meet growing demand in Brockport and surrounding communities. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it addresses a clear, rapidly growing community need while reducing long-term public costs. Behavioral health visits in Brockport have surged by 285 percent since 2020, overwhelming existing capacity and leading to delays in care. By expanding clinical space and integrating behavioral health with primary care, this project will increase access, reduce waiting times, and improve patient outcomes for underserved residents who have few alternatives.

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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joseph D. Morelle".

Joseph Morelle
Member of Congress