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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
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The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
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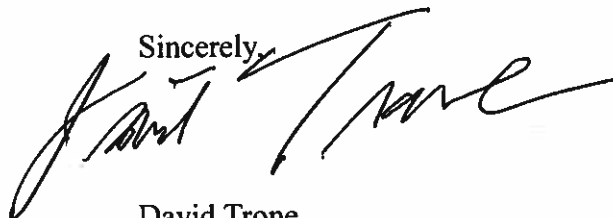
Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Washington County Outpatient Mental Health Clinic Expansion in the Fiscal Year 2023 Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Sheppard Pratt Health System, located at 328 N Potomac St, Hagerstown, MD 21740.

If awarded, the funding will be used to expand the mental health clinic's operations in Washington County, which would not only benefit the residents of Washington County, but would also free up capacity at the Frederick county mental health clinic. This expansion plan would involve tripling the number of providers at the facility, and would allow Sheppard Pratt to increase its services from 133 patients a month to almost 600. This roughly 80 percent increase in treatment capacity will adequately address the access to care issues in Washington County for behavioral health. The expansion will also allow Sheppard Pratt to double its psychiatry capacity, which will allow it to better serve the needs for medication management in Washington County.

I certify that neither I nor any member of my immediate family has any financial interests in this project.

Sincerely,



David Trone
Member of Congress