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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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

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I am requesting funding for the Iron Mountain Primary Care Mobile Unit in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Bellin Health Iron Mountain, located at 440 Woodward Avenue, Suite 101, Iron Mountain, MI 49801. The funding would be used for the purchase of a mobile health unit to extend primary and specialty care services to residents of Iron Mountain and surrounding communities. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because mobile health clinics offer a viable solution to the issue of rural health deserts by bringing care directly to patients through a mechanism that demands less capital and infrastructure than a standalone facility.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 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,

Jack Bergman Member of Congress