April 27, 2022

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for NCHC Orange NJ Site Renovation in fiscal year 2022. The entity to receive funding for this project is Newark Community Health Centers, Inc., located at 741 Broadway, Newark, NJ 07104. The funding would be used to renovate its new Orange, NJ location from a commercial building to a health care facility. Even though many commercial office buildings are designed in accordance with modern accessibility codes, converting to a medical use will force additional upgrades designed to promote the best patient care. The first floor of the building, covering 18,000 Square feet will be renovated and will serve as a full-service site providing Family Practice, Dentistry, Pediatrics, Adult Medicine and Oral Health services. Approximately 45% of the population of Orange, NJ is low-income, with incomes at or below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines. NCHC continues to be the sole provider of primary care within this area, serving the uninsured and underserved within this community. The renovation of this new site will provide better access to and a more comfortable setting for our patients.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Donald M. Payne, Jr.
Member of Congress