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

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Youth Wellness Center in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Beach Cities Health District, located at 514 N. Prospect Avenue, Redondo Beach, CA 90277.

The funding will allow Beach Cities Health District to build a dedicated health facility to expand the “*allcove*” Youth Wellness Center, creating a one-stop shop for young people to access mental health and other services in Los Angeles County. Services will be provided regardless of ability to pay, which will help close the accessibility and affordability gap and reduce the health and economic burdens of untreated mental health concerns. By focusing on prevention and early intervention, the *allcove* Youth Wellness Center will be able to help identify mental health disorders from the outset, modifying risk exposure and strengthening the coping mechanisms of young people to help them establish a purposeful path in life. The project focuses on vulnerable and marginalized youth and populations of youth with known disparities such as LGBTQIA, homeless, and indigenous youth.

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

Sincerely,



Ted W. Lieu
Member of Congress