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March 27, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

It is a pleasure to serve with you on the Committee on Appropriations, and I greatly value your leadership. I am requesting funding for the University of Toledo to modernize spaces for care/treatment of senior, child, and adolescent behavioral health inpatients in the Kobacker building at UToledo Medical Center (UTMC) in Toledo, Ohio in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the University of Toledo, located at 2801 Bancroft St, Toledo, OH 43606.

The funding would be used to upgrade facility modernization, enhance ligature-resistant safety standards, improve therapeutic design and trauma-informed environments, strengthen infection prevention infrastructure, improve visibility and observation capacity for high-risk patients, and enhance family engagement and treatment spaces in a region that continues to experience significant behavioral health demands, particularly among vulnerable populations. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because investment in psychiatric infrastructure is both a public health and economic stability strategy. Further, the projects themselves will have an economic impact in the use of local labor resources for construction and local distributors of products/finishings.

This project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized under the Public Health Service Act.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marcy Kaptur".

MARCY KAPTUR  
Member of Congress