April 25, 2022

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Chairwoman  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC  20515

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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Dear Chairwoman DeLauro & Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting $995,691 in funding to create a new program specifically for individuals living with substance abuse. This program, Recovery to Resiliency (R2R), will create a path of access, with resources along the way to escort a patient through recovery.

The project sponsor is the Grafton City Hospital and is located at 1 Hospital Plaza, Grafton, WV 26354.

This R2R program will use a Trauma Informed Care model, based on recent findings by Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, that prove unaddressed trauma (job loss, etc.) to increase the risk of mental and substance abuse disorder significantly. This program will build on the success of this proven pilot program, expanding the concept, with additional community resources in Taylor, Barbour, Preston, Marion, and Harrison counties in West Virginia.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits because it will help assist people living with substance abuse and trauma to provide a pathway to recovery. West Virginia has been hit particularly hard by the opioid epidemic and substance abuse. This project will expand access to treatment for West Virginians in need.

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

Sincerely,

David B. McKinley, P.E.  
Member of Congress