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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chair
House Appropriations Committee
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the construction of a medical facility addition for the 307th Bomb Wing at Barksdale Air Force Base in Fiscal Year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the United States Air Force Reserve (Barksdale Air Force Base), located at 1000 Davis Ave. E, Barksdale AFB, LA, United States 71110.

The funding would be used to construct a medical facility addition for the 307th Bomb Wing. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the current facility is prone to overcrowding, and an expanded facility will allow the Wing to more efficiently medically process personnel during training weekends and for operational purposes. The Air Force maintains that without this expansion, personnel may not be medically cleared in a timely manner, thus delaying deployments and the Wing's overall readiness standing. The expansion's design is 100% complete, and I am told the Air Force can obligate funds for this project in Fiscal Year 2024.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 10 U.S.C. Chapter 169, and I plan to pursue an authorization for this project in the Fiscal Year 2024 National Defense Authorization Act. I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Mike Johnson
Member of Congress