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The Honorable Rosa 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 the Cowlitz Indian Tribe Behavioral Health Clinic Project in Longview, Washington for fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Cowlitz Indian Tribe located at 1055 9th Avenue Suite B Longview, WA 98632.

The Cowlitz Indian Tribe (the Tribe) is requesting funding to provide renovations and improvements necessary to carry out and expand substance abuse treatment programs and services in the community. Cowlitz County is experiencing climbing overdose death rates, and the opioid epidemic has been exacerbated by the isolation imposed by the COVID epidemic and the influx of fentanyl. The Cowlitz Tribe recently secured a permanent facility for expansion of their substance use disorder and medication-assisted treatment (MAT) program. The facility requires limited renovation to make it accessible under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and to increase energy efficiency, allowing the Tribe to provide and expand their behavioral health services for more individuals.

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

Sincerely,

Jaime Herrera Beutler
Member of Congress