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The Honorable Rosa L. 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  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for Telemedicine Support in Baltimore City Senior Centers Project in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Baltimore, located at 100 N. Holliday Street, Baltimore, MD 21202.

The funding would be used to help address the digital divide among seniors in Baltimore City and address some of the most pressing health issues facing older adults, including increasing social isolation, mental health, and physical health such as hypertension and diabetes. The project plans to extend fiber connectivity to the city's senior centers, provide devices and connectivity to enable telehealth services for seniors, and implement a telemedicine model at the centers with the most need. This project will create hubs of connectivity and care within the senior centers as well as directly equip older adults with the tools and training required to successfully navigate the Internet and communicate with healthcare providers and advocates.

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

Sincerely,



John P. Sarbanes  
Member of Congress