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The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro, Chair
The Honorable Kay Granger, Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives

RE: Member Certification for Solano County Electronic Health Record System Upgrade: OCHIN EPIC

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I respectfully request funding (\$1,000,000) for an electronic health record (EHR) system upgrade in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is Solano County Public Health Department's Family Health Services (FHS), located in my district at 275 Beck Avenue, MS 5-240 in Fairfield, California 94533.

FHS serves the largest number of assigned Medi-Cal patients in Solano County, (30,852 as of March 2022), as well as a significant population of uninsured and self-pay patients via a sliding fee schedule. FHS is a vital safety net to the community for individuals and families with complex and fragile health care needs and does not turn away any patients in the community seeking care based on an inability to pay.

The Community Project Funding would be used to replace the county's current EHR with a new OCHIN EPIC system to bring it into compliance with requirements laid out in the 21st Century Cures Act, Information Blocking Rules, Good Faith Estimates, and HRSA 330e Community Health Grant. This upgrade would also improve patient safety and clinical efficiency by providing a centralizing patient information in one system.

Pursuant to Clause, 17 of Rule XXIII of the U.S. House of Representatives, I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project or request. Thank you for your leadership and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John Garamendi".

JOHN GARAMENDI
Member of Congress