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The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Chair
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 the Edward M. Kennedy Community Health Center (Kennedy Community Health) Interpreter Services Program in fiscal year 2022 appropriations.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Edward M. Kennedy Community Health Center, Inc., located at 650 Lincoln Street, Worcester, Massachusetts, 01605.

The funding would be used for Kennedy Community Health's interpreter services program to address the language needs of the underserved communities of MetroWest and Central Massachusetts. As a Federally Qualified Health Center, Kennedy Community Health aims to provide quality, accessible and affordable health care to anyone in need. With a patient population that is predominantly low-income, as well as ethnically, linguistically, and culturally diverse, achieving health equity is at the core of their mission. As the area's only provider of refugee health assessments, Kennedy Community Health has become the medical home for individuals who speak over 92 different languages, making the interpreter services program vital to their ability to communicate with their patients and provide high quality care.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Katherine M. Clark".

Katherine M. Clark
Member of Congress
April 27, 2021