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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Mobile Vaccination Van Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Arapahoe County, located at 6162 S. Willow Drive, Greenwood Village, CO, 80111. The funding would be used for increasing equitable access to vaccines by engaging underserved communities in the county who face barriers to accessing traditional healthcare facilities. The mobile van would also help to reduce vaccine coverage disparities by improving coverage rates in Arapahoe County, particularly for Kindergarten MMR and DTaP vaccines, which currently stand at 89.5% and 88.6% respectively, falling short of the 92% State coverage goal. Low vaccination rates can lead to outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases, disproportionately affecting underserved communities. The project has a Federal nexus because mobile vaccination is recognized as a proven strategy to improve vaccination rates. To assist in these efforts, Public Health will conduct community outreach and education ahead of scheduled vaccine clinics. Strategies include in-person canvassing at locations that serve targeted populations. Overall, the acquisition of a mobile vaccination van will enhance access to vaccines, promote health equity, and contribute to the collective effort to reduce vaccine-preventable diseases.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Jason Crow Member of Congress