Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for an Injury and Violence Prevention Center in Fiscal Year 2023. This request is for the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education account. The entity to receive funding for the project is University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Center, located at 13001 East 17th Place, Building 500, Mail Stop F565, Aurora, CO 80045.

University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Center is seeking $460,584 to establish an Injury and Violence Prevention Center. This funding will support students from underrepresented backgrounds in pursuing an education in injury and violence prevention through outreach programs and financial support. The funding will also support the hiring and training of faculty in the Injury and Violence Prevention Center in order to solidify the center as a national leader in injury and violence prevention, serving Colorado, the Mountain West, and the entire nation.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds. Injuries are the leading cause of death in Colorado and the nation for those under age 45. The Injury and Violence Prevention Center at CU Anschutz takes a public health approach to preventing injuries and deaths, particularly suicides and opioid overdose death. By providing support at a critical juncture, hospital-based injury and violence intervention programs can reduce community violence and improve individual outcomes.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project. I appreciate your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Jason Crow
Member of Congress