April 27, 2022

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Coachella Recovery Village Project in Fiscal Year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the County of Riverside, Riverside University Health System located at 4095 County Circle Drive, Riverside, CA 92503.

The funding would be used to sustain a full-service Behavioral Health Campus that serves as a safe, monitored, and therapeutic community and living space. The proposed plan would increase infrastructure capacity, including crisis, residential, outpatient services for mental health / primary care / Substance Use Disorder in homelike settings and housing the homeless population. In addition to housing and treatment, the Coachella Recovery Village will provide vocational classrooms, a library, an animal kennel, and green park space for individuals completing treatment but with a continuing need for a supportive environment based on social determinants of health.

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

Sincerely,

Raul Ruiz, M.D.
Member of Congress