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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Hackensack Meridian Center for Discovery and Innovation DNA Research Sequence Project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Hackensack Meridian Health, located at 111 Ideation Way, Nutley, New Jersey, 07110. The funding would be used for to purchase equipment that will allow researchers to build large DNA sequence genome databases of major bacterial pathogens across the U.S. CDI has access to the microbiology services of the 18 Hackensack Meridian Health hospitals. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this access allows CDI to collect microbial population data from a large and diverse community, giving it more data to enhance its measurement and testing methods. The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 272 of title 15, United States Code. I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Bill Pascrell, Jr.

Member of Congress

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