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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
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U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Tom Cole
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
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U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Cole:

I am requesting \$500,000 in funding for Vinland National Center Capital Improvement Needs in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Vinland National Center, located at 3675 Ihduhapi Road, Loretto, MN 55357.

The funding would be used to enhance long-term lifestyle infrastructure for patients through capital improvements. These improvements include roofing, siding, and windows, as well as enhancements to their driveway and trailway. Vinland has continued to operate throughout the pandemic at a reduced census due to pandemic related restrictions. This has led to budget shortfalls for capital improvements. People struggling with mental health and substance use disorder have increasingly relapsed over the last year, further increasing the demand for services, making the timing for this investment critical.

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

Sincerely,



Tom Emmer
Member of Congress