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The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
House Committee on  
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H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Committee on  
Appropriations - Minority  
1036 Longworth HOB  
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for a new magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) machine in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is North Arkansas Regional Medical Center, located at 620 N. Main Street, Harrison, AR 72601. The funding would be used for the purchase and installation of a new magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) machine. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because NARMC serves a very rural and largely economically distressed region with more than 85,000 residents living in NARMC's five-county, rural service area. This new MRI machine will help reduce healthcare costs and increase positive outcomes, resulting in a long-term reduction in overall healthcare costs for the government and individuals.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

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

Sincerely,



Rep. Eric A. "Rick" Crawford (AR-01)  
Member of Congress