DAVID ROUZER
7th DISTRICT, NORTH CAROLINA

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE,
SPACE, AND TECHNOLOGY

COMMITTEE ON
TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE
CHAIRMAN,
HIGHWAYS AND TRANSIT

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

March 20, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Advanced Diagnostics and Simulation Training Equipment project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Cumberland County, North Carolina located at 117 Dick Street, Fayetteville, NC 28302. The funding would be used to support and strengthen the Cumberland County Hospital System, advancing the integration of the newly created Methodist University Cape Fear Valley Health School of Medicine into the system through the purchase of specialized medical and training equipment to enhance patient care and support the training of physician residents and medical school students.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it supports training a new physician workforce through the new Methodist University Cape Fear Valley Health School of Medicine and affiliated residency programs, and addressing persistent provider shortages in southeastern North Carolina. It also expands access to critical diagnostic capabilities at the Cumberland County Hospital System, helping close rural healthcare gaps while strengthening long-term regional care capacity.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized under the Public Health Service Act.

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

Sincerely,

Member of Congress

BRUNSWICK COUNTY OFFICE
310 GOVERNMENT CENTER DRIVE, UNIT 1
BOLIVIA, NC 28422
PHONE: (910) 253-6111

CUMBERLAND COUNTY OFFICE
225 GREEN STREET, SUITE 202
FAYETTEVILLE, NC 28301
PHONE: (910) 500-4880

NEW HANOVER COUNTY OFFICE
2520 INDEPENDENCE BOULEVARD, SUITE 201
WILMINGTON, NC 28412
PHONE: (910) 395-0202

WASHINGTON OFFICE
2333 RAYBURN BUILDING
WASHINGTON, DC 20515
PHONE: (202) 225-2731