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March 31, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
House Committee on Appropriations
H-305, The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the East County Center for Military and Veteran Reintegration in Fiscal Year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the County of San Diego, located at 1600 Pacific Highway, San Diego, CA 92101. The funding would be used to help build a new Center for Military and Veteran Reintegration to assist local veterans in smoothly transitioning from service, serving as one-stop shop and hub for service members, veterans, and their spouses.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because San Diego County has the largest concentration of military personnel in the world with 120,000 active duty personnel, and almost 250,000 veterans, according to the California Association of County Veterans Service Officers. East County San Diego is home to the largest number of military veterans in our region, with 57,455 veterans spread throughout incorporated cities and rural communities, but is the only area in San Diego without a County-operated CMVR.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2) and 5305(a)(4).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sara Jacobs".

Sara Jacobs
Member of Congress