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Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro
Chairwoman
House Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Congresswoman Kay Granger
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro & Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Alzheimer’s Foundation of America (AFA) to construct an AFA Education and Resource Center in Amityville, NY in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Alzheimer’s Foundation of America, located at 149 Schleigel Boulevard, Amityville, NY 11701.

The Alzheimer’s Foundation of America is currently in contract to purchase a building to expand its national network of programs and services. The new center will provide care, education, and therapeutic activities for individuals affected by Alzheimer’s disease and their caregivers and offer dementia training throughout the nation.

The 11,500-square-foot building will be a multi-level state-of-the-art National Education, Resource and Dementia Training Center located in New York, the first of many in the country. The center will serve the nation’s ever-growing population of more than 6 million individuals living with Alzheimer’s disease and their caregivers. The center will provide a comprehensive in-person and virtual training program to prepare all levels of professionals across sectors to feel comfortable and confident interacting with, and care for, individuals with Alzheimer’s and related dementias.

AFA plans extensive interior and exterior improvements for the purpose of creating a dementia friendly environment. The center will house multi-purpose technologically advanced rooms to provide therapeutic programs, continuing education, training, programs and services to support caregivers. The center will also provide a dementia friendly model residence to highlight ways that practical design and technology can increase the quality of life for someone living with dementia. The center will also create an interactive sensory garden.

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

Sincerely,

Andrew R. Garbarino
Member of Congress