

April 27, 2022

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Vision Health and Research Center in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Lions Eye Institute for Transplant and Research Foundation located at 1410 North 21<sup>st</sup> Street, Tampa, FL 33605. The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would create a state-of-the-art treatment and research facility that will provide comprehensive, streamlined care and services under one roof to maximize critically needed vision services in the Tampa Bay area. I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Kathy Castor

Kathy Castor United States Representative Florida – District 14