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The Honorable Michael O. Leavitt  
 Secretary  
 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
 Washington, D.C. 20201

Dear Mr. Secretary:

We are writing to inform you that several projects for the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) identified in House Report 108-792, which accompanied the fiscal year 2005 Department of Health and Human Services appropriation, should be modified.

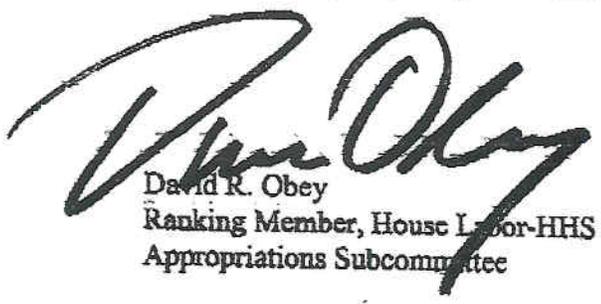
The \$175,000 grant to Alabama Association of Area Agencies on Aging for facilities and equipment should instead be allocated as follows: \$164,817 for Jefferson County Commission to be designated for senior centers in the county and \$10,183 for Bibb County.

The \$500,000 in funding provided to Pathway Caring for Children for facilities and equipment should instead be used for the acquisition of an existing structure.

The \$350,000 in funding provided to the University of Texas Medical Branch for the Texas Telehealth Resource Center should instead have its purpose be for the Texas Telehealth Network.

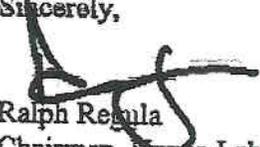
We appreciate the assistance of your Department in facilitating the smooth transfer of these funds to the new grantees or new purposes.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.



David R. Obey  
Ranking Member, House Labor-HHS  
Appropriations Subcommittee

Sincerely,



Ralph Regula  
Chairman, House Labor-HHS  
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