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The Honorable David Obey
Chairman, Subcommittee on Labor,
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2358 Rayburn House Office Building
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The Honorable Todd Tiahrt
Ranking Member, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and
Related Agencies
1016 Longworth House Office Building
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Dear Chairman Obey and Ranking Member Walsh:

As you consider the FY 2010 Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and
Related Agencies legislation, I would urge your consideration the following requests for
funding in my district.

- 1. Hamilton Memorial Hospital EMR Project:** Department of Health & Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) – Health Facilities and Services; Education; \$200,000 in funding for an electronic file management and forms, computerized physician order entry, and a new HIS Server to support electronic file conversions for the Hospital to better serve their patients.
- 2. Lincoln Land Community College Hire Education Program:** Department of Education, Higher Education (including FIPSE); \$684,000 in funding will allow for pre apprenticeship training in energy production fields and construction trades to meet regional demand.
- 3. SIUE High Tech Simulation Lab for Advance Practice Nursing Students:** Department of Education, Higher Education (including FIPSE); \$250,000 in funding to address a nationwide nursing shortage, SIUE will use this simulator lab to train future nursing teachers.

4. **The Hope Institute for Children and Families:** Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families (ACF) – Social Services; \$280,000 in funding for this project to serve over 7000 children from central and southern Illinois with developmental disabilities in education and health care fields they need the most.

5. **St. Mary's Hospital;** Department of Health & Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) – Health Facilities and Services; \$300,000 in funding for new radiology and flouroscopy equipment.

6. **Reading Is Fundamental:** Department of Education – National Projects, Innovation and Improvments – Reading is Fundamental authorized under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act; \$28,000,000 in funding to be used for purposes authorized in Section 5451 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

Program Requests:

- **Continuing the Health Center Expansion:**
\$2,602,000,000
- **Sickle Cell Disease Treatment Centers:** \$10,000,000
- **MCH SPRANS Sickle Cell:** \$5,250,000
- **Community Based Abstinence Education (CBAE) program** \$95,000,000
- **Poison Control Centers:** \$30,100,000
- **Corporation for Public Broadcasting:** \$542,000,000
- **CPB and Digital Broadcasting:** \$40,000,000
- **Public Radio Satellite System:** \$27,000,000
- **Ready to Learn:** \$32,000,000
- **Ready to Teach:** \$17,000,000
- **Birth Defects/Developmental Disabilities – Blood Disorders:** \$50,000,000
- **SICKLE CELL DISEASE RESEARCH CENTERS:** \$8,000,000
- **Library Services and Technology Act:** \$300,000,000
- **Improving Literacy Through School Libraries:**
\$100,000,000
- **Preventative Block Grant:** \$8,600,000,000
- **National Institute of Health:** \$32,439,216,000

I hereby certify that this request will be made publicly available on my Official Website as required by Chairman Obey's new Committee policy that only posted requests will be considered.

Consistent with the Republican Leadership's policy on earmarks, I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge this request (1) is not directed to an entity or program that will be named after a sitting Member of Congress; (2) is not intended to be used by

an entity to secure funds for other entities unless the use of funding is consistent with the specified purpose of the earmark; and (3) meets or exceeds all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable. I further certify that should this request be included in the bill, I will place a statement in the *Congressional Record* describing how the funds will be spent and justifying the use of federal taxpayer funds.

Thank you for your consideration of these requests. Please let me or my aides, Ryan Tracy, know if we may provide your office with any additional information.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress