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Rep. Jahana Hayes
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Dear Congresswoman Hayes:

We are writing in support of the Community Health Center Association of Connecticut's (CHCACT) application for funds to build a health care workforce development training facility in the 5th Congressional District. This training facility will vastly improve Connecticut's ability to enhance the quality of health care in the state. CHCACT is the Primary Care Association for Connecticut and they have provided considerable support to community-based health care workers in Connecticut for 32 years.

Establishing a new training facility in Connecticut for health care workers, predominantly in support of non-profit employees, will enhance the delivery of high-quality primary care to Connecticut residents. The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the need to expand the scope of primary care access to communities of color, and a key component of providing this care is ensuring that providers and medical support staff serving these communities have access to high-quality training.

CHCACT has submitted a proposal to build a training facility that will enhance their ability to provide professional development to health centers, local nonprofits, and other health care entities. Our district would greatly benefit from a workforce development training center, and local nonprofits would greatly appreciate the ability to work in the collaborative space that this facility would offer. Thank you for your consideration of this application.

Sincerely,

Rep. Hilda Santiago

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