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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
Washington, DC 20515-2507  
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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Chair  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for technology-enabled supports for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to live independently for fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Easterseals Midwest, located at 11933 Westline Industrial Drive, St. Louis, MO, 63146.

The funding would be used for technology-enabled supports, which include various non-invasive devices and sensors to accurately monitor residents' daily activities and the environment without impeding their lifestyle or privacy. Examples of these technologies include motion sensors, contact sensors, pressure sensors, remote monitoring, video monitoring, and temperature sensors, among others. These strategies can reduce the need for in-person staff by 30% or more for each person.

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

Sincerely,



Billy Long  
Member of Congress