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The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Chair Committee on Appropriations Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Tom Cole Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Cole,

As you begin crafting the fiscal year 2023 bill, I respectfully request that you give consideration to the University of Miami Gordon Center for Simulation and Innovation in Medical Education community project funding request for a level funding of \$800,000. The intended recipient is the University of Miami Gordon Center for Research in Medical Education located at 1120 NW 14th St, Miami, FL 33136.

The funding would assist the Gordon Center with its life-saving training programs for more than 2,000 medical and nursing schools, residency programs, public health departments, and hospital systems in the United States. Human patient simulation systems are used at nearly every healthcare school and training academic and hundreds of studies have demonstrated their effectiveness in teaching and testing important skills for patient care.

The Gordon Center training programs are customized simulation trainings for first responders and healthcare providers. These trainings provide medical students, providers and first responders with opportunities to practice and improve procedural skills prior to interactions with live patients, thereby enhancing patient safety.

Sincerely,

Carlos A. Gimenez Member of Congress