

COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

## CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

April 27, 2022

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Nursing Skills Lab in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the College of Southern Nevada – North Las Vegas Campus, 3200 E Cheyenne Ave, North Las Vegas, Nevada 89030.

There is an acute need for healthcare professionals in Nevada. Based on the most recent data from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, Nevada ranks 48th in the nation for nurses per capita. The Nevada Hospital Association reported that there were 7,826 vacant nursing positions in 2017, with only 1,349 nursing graduates that same year. This shortage is expected to worsen; the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics projects that 500,000 experienced nurses are expected to retire between now and the end of 2022, creating a shortage of 1.1 million nurses.

CSN's request for equipment at the North Las Vegas campus will help fill a gap in training for the healthcare workforce for our region.

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

Sincerely,

Congressman Steven Horsford

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