## BENJAMIN L. CARDIN MARYLAND

www.cardin.senate.gov
509 HART BUILDING
WASHINGTON, DC 20510–2004

## United States Senate

FOREIGN RELATIONS, CHAIRMAN
FINANCE
SMALL BUSINESS AND
ENTREPRENEURSHIP
ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

COMMITTEES:

COMMISSION ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE, CO-CHAIRMAN

May 8, 2024

The Honorable Martin Heinrich Chair Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies Appropriations Subcommittee 129 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable John Hoeven
Ranking Member
Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and
Drug Administration and Related Agencies
Appropriations Subcommittee`
125 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chair Heinrich and Ranking Member Hoeven:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit congressionally directed spending requests to the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies Appropriations Subcommittee for Fiscal Year 2025 (FY25). I have focused these requests on programs of particular significance to my home state of Maryland. None of the entities for which I have requested congressionally directed spending are for-profit entities.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending items that I have requested in the Fiscal Year 2025 Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies bill, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

I appreciate your careful consideration of these important requests.

Sincerely,

Benjamin L. Cardin United States Senator