

# Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

April 26, 2024

The Honorable Robert Aderholt  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human  
Services, and Education Appropriations  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human  
Services, and Education Appropriations  
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Dear Chairman Aderholt and Ranking Member DeLauro:

We thank you for your leadership in supporting robust funding for Alzheimer's research at the National Institutes of Health (NIH). We write to request a \$318 million increase in funding for Alzheimer's research at NIH in FY 2025, as compared to the FY 2024 level of more than \$3.8 billion.

Alzheimer's has reached crisis proportions in the United States. It was the fifth leading cause of death among people age 65 and older in 2021, and while promising scientific research is ongoing, there is still no cure and no means of preventing Alzheimer's. Nearly 7 million Americans age 65 and older are living with Alzheimer's, and that number is expected to increase exponentially as the baby boom generation ages. By 2050, the number of people age 65 and older with Alzheimer's could reach nearly 13 million in the absence of medical breakthroughs that would prevent or cure the disease. Furthermore, in 2024, Alzheimer's and other dementias are projected to cost our nation an estimated \$360 billion in health care and long term care expenses, including \$231 billion in Medicare and Medicaid payments. At the current rate, the cost of care for these tragic conditions will reach nearly \$1 trillion by 2050.

Our nation is at a crossroads. We must act now to change the trajectory of this disease.

We therefore urge you to provide a \$318 million increase in FY 2025 NIH research funding for Alzheimer's Disease including Alzheimer's Disease Related Dementias (AD/ADRD). We thank you for your attention to our concerns, and we look forward to working with you to invest in research that will lead to a cure for this devastating disease.

Sincerely,



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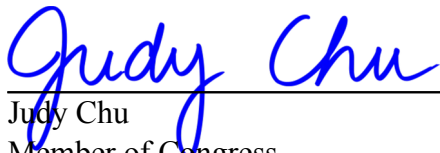
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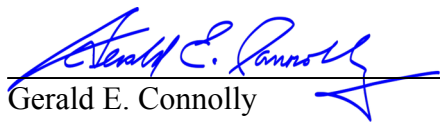
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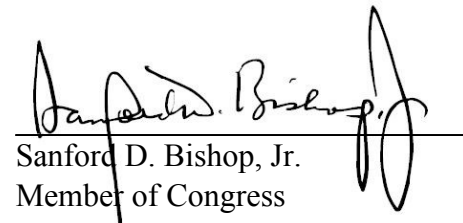
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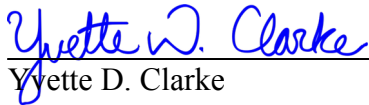
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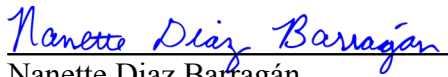
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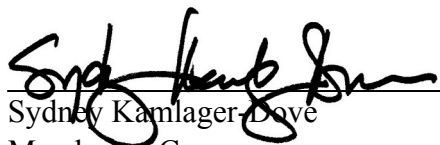
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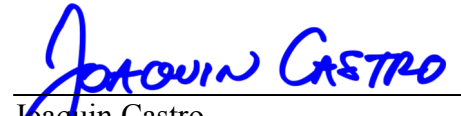
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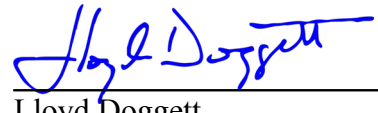
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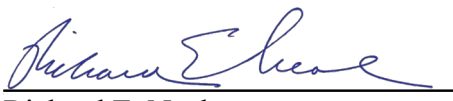
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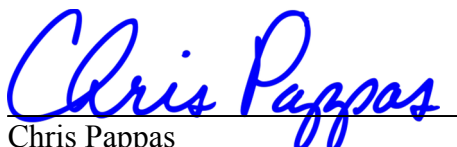
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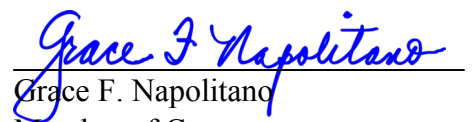
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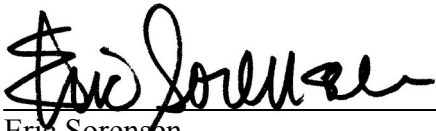
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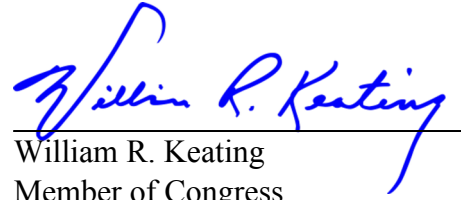


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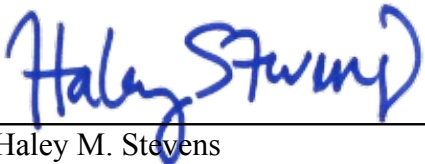
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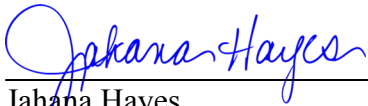
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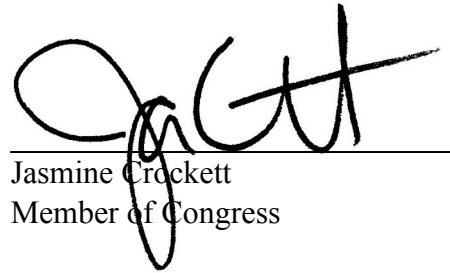
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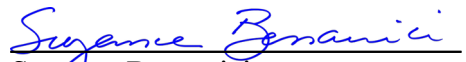
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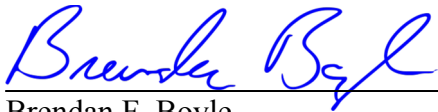
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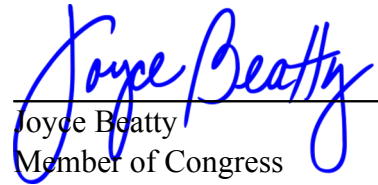
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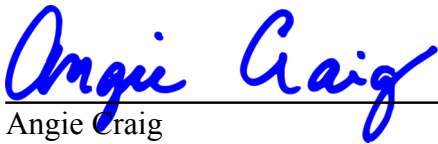
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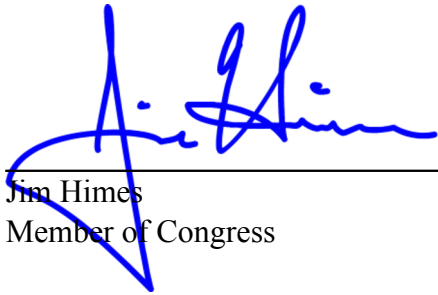
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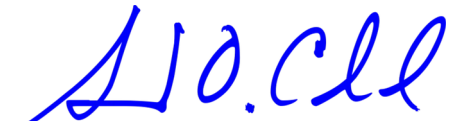
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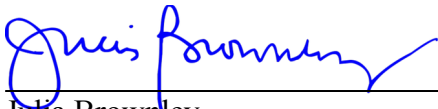
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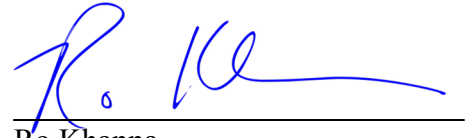
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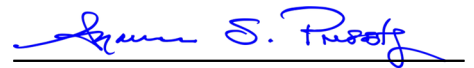
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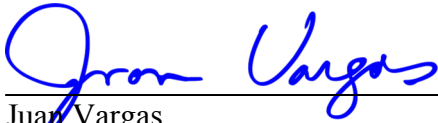


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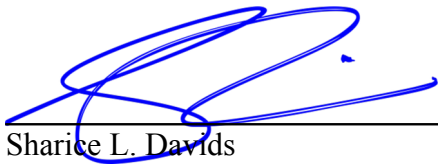
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