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**Congress of the United States**  
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The Honorable Kay Granger  
Chairwoman  
House Committee on Appropriations  
H-307, The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rose DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the AYANI Centers for Children and Adults with Disabilities Capital Improvements Project in Fiscal Year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Centro de Ayuda y Terapia al Niño con Impedimento, Inc., (Centro AYANI, Inc.) located at 140 Monseñor José Torres Street, Moca, Puerto Rico 00676.

Centro AYANI, Inc. is a non-profit organization dedicated to offering services for disabled Island residents with locations in the municipalities of Moca, Aguadilla, and Camuy. The project consists of improvements to these 3 centers. Specifically, the organization would equip all 3 locations with solar renewable energy panels and water well systems, as well as renovate the parking area in the Moca and Aguadilla locations in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. The organization is also looking to buy the current Aguadilla location, and either buy or build a new space for their Camuy location.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will support infrastructure available to Puerto Rico residents with disabilities and alleviate monthly expenses that can be utilized by the organization to improve other areas and expand services. Lastly, the project will also increase resiliency and preparedness for natural disasters and other emergencies.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by: 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and 5305(a)(5).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Jenniffer González Colón  
Member of Congress