

**Congress of the United States**  
Washington, DC 20515

March 13, 2026

The Honorable Robert Aderholt  
Chairman  
U.S. House Appropriations Subcommittee  
on Labor, Health and Human Services,  
Education, and Related Agencies  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
U.S. House Appropriations Subcommittee  
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Chairman Aderholt and Ranking Member DeLauro,

We are writing to request that you prioritize the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) in your Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 appropriations bill by including the highest level of funding possible for this program that provides critical support to our most vulnerable constituents.

For more than 40 years, LIHEAP has helped seniors, families with young children, and individuals with disabilities maintain safe and reliable access to essential energy services. This program helps some of the most vulnerable families in the country with their energy bills by providing them with vital assistance during both the cold winter and hot summer months. According to the US Department of Health and Human Services, more than 70 percent of LIHEAP households report at least one household member who is age five or younger, 60 or older, or has a disability. For these households, LIHEAP funding has provided a lifeline during challenging economic times. Access to home energy is not a luxury – it is essential for the health and safety of families.

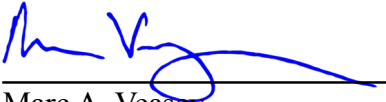
LIHEAP is an exceptionally efficient and targeted program, with state block grants flowing to local agencies to eligible households on a short-term basis to prevent utility disconnections and help provide assistance to heating and cooling costs. Living at the lowest levels of poverty, recipients of these funds are forced to make choices every day between food, medicine, or utilities. Continued bipartisan support for LIHEAP in FY 2027 will ensure these income-constrained households receive the critical assistance they need and are not left behind.

We understand the discretionary budget challenges the Committee will be facing in FY 2027. However, LIHEAP is chronically underfunded. In recent years, the program has only had funds to serve one out of six eligible households. As household budgets are strained by inflation and other economic pressures, many income-constrained families and seniors will have fewer resources available to meet their basic needs.

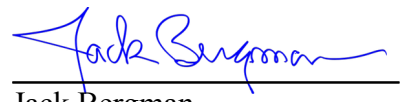
As you finalize your FY 2027 Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, we ask that you take into account the tremendous and growing

need for LIHEAP. We urge you to prioritize this program and maximize funding. Thank you for your attention to and consideration of this important affordability request.

Sincerely,



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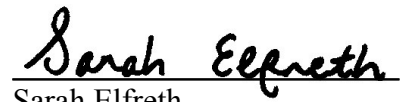
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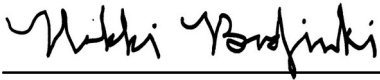
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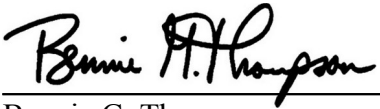
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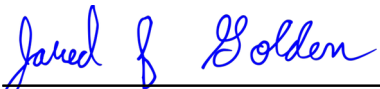
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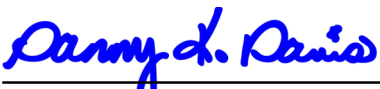
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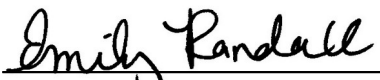
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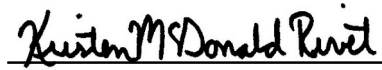
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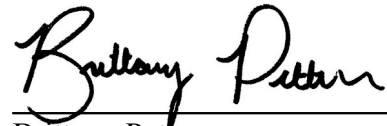
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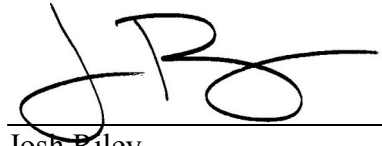
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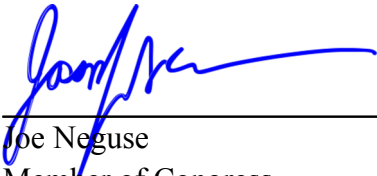
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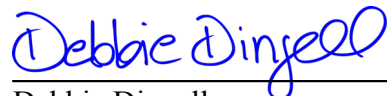
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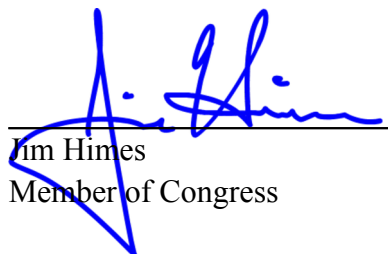
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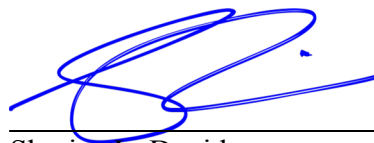
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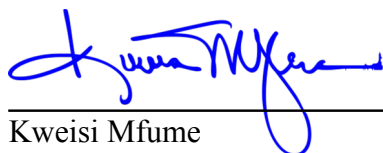
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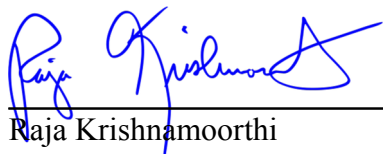
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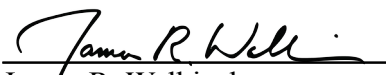
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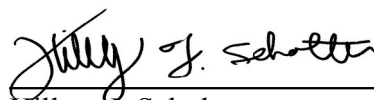
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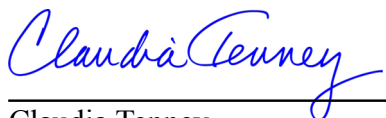
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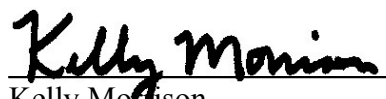
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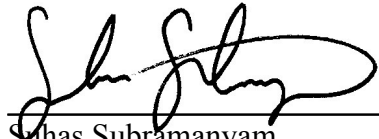


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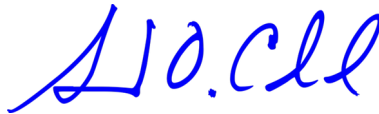
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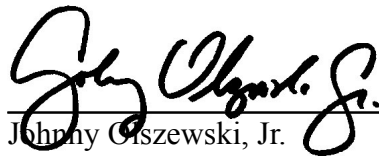
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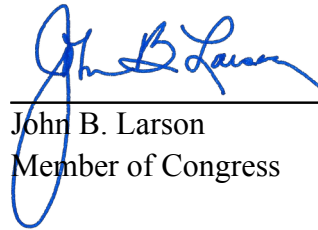
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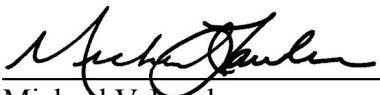
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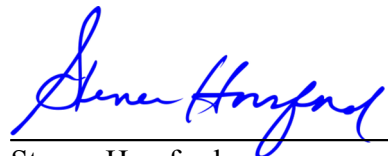
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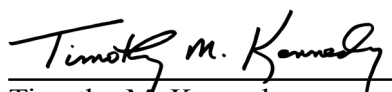
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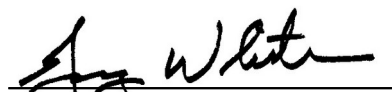
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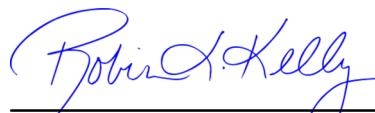
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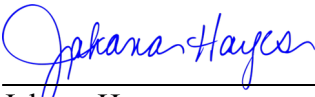
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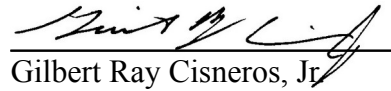
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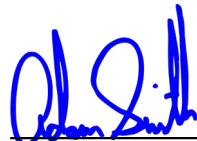
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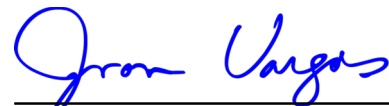
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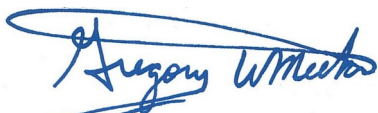
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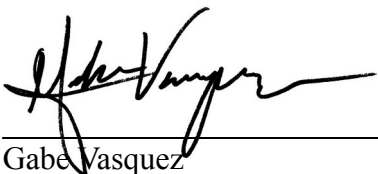
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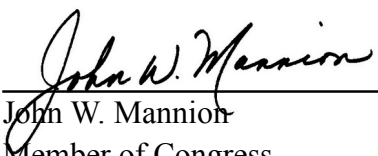
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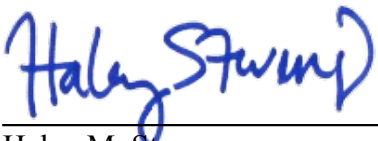
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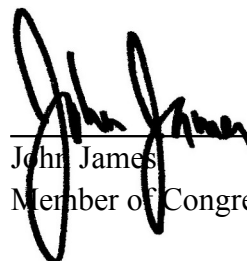
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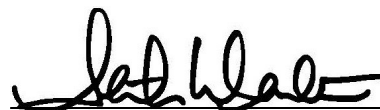
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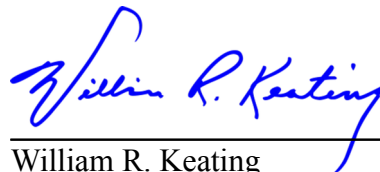
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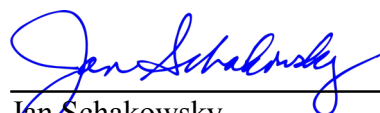
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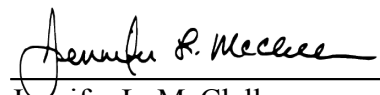
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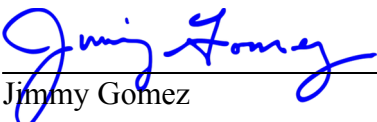
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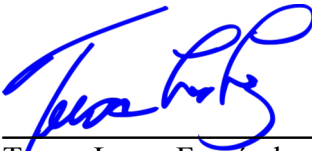
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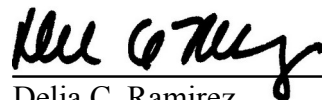
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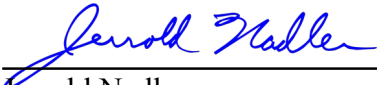
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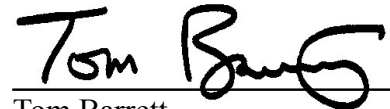
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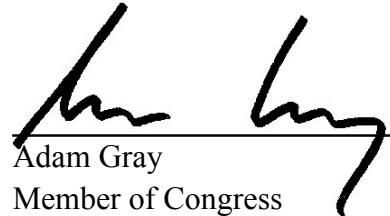
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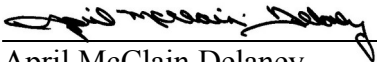
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