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RE: Support for JESPY House and The Hub

Dear JESPY House Community,

It is with great pride and admiration that I extend my heartfelt congratulations to JESPY House on the groundbreaking of The JESPY Center on the Cooperman Family Campus.

Today marks a significant step forward in the effort to ensure that adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) can live with independence, purpose, and opportunity. The JESPY Center stands as a powerful testament to what is possible when we invest in inclusive, supportive communities.

Even as we celebrate this milestone, we must also look ahead. Too many young adults with IDD face a sudden loss of services after leaving the public school system. The need for continued support, structure, and community does not end at age 21. This is why the next phase – The Hub – is so essential.

The Hub will offer housing, job-readiness training, lifelong learning resources, and the daily living supports that help young adults transition into independent adulthood. It is a direct response to a real and growing need.

Municipalities have a critical role to play in making projects like The Hub a reality. By removing barriers, prioritizing inclusive development, and leading with vision and compassion, local governments can be the driving force behind real, lasting change. I urge municipal leaders and decision-makers to work together to help advance The Hub and support the young adults and families who need it most.

Let today's celebration be both a recognition of progress and a call to continue the work. You have laid the foundation. Now, we must ensure that The Hub has the support and approval it needs to rise.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "LaMonica McIver". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

LaMonica McIver

Member of Congress