

May 25, 2021

The Honorable Amy Klobuchar

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The Honorable Maxine Waters

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Re: HR 1474 and S 56

Dear Senator Ms. Klobuchar and Congress Member Ms. Waters:

Yolo Healthy Aging Alliance writes to enthusiastically support HR 1474 and S 56, "Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Act," that amends the Public Health Service Act. The Yolo Healthy Aging Alliance's mission is to enhance the wellbeing of older adults in Yolo County through education, collaboration, and advocacy. We work to identify and address gaps in services and connect people with resources and services throughout our county. These bills address a core group that needs our help and informed assistance from our extended community.

We support the list for grant recipients: health care organization, community health centers, senior centers, area agencies on aging, community based organizations, and organization providing support services for families and unpaid caregivers of patients with younger onset Alzheimer's disease or related dementia; and state, local and tribal public health agencies and social service agencies. We also support the eligibility that grant recipients will provide services in appropriate languages and with consideration of cultural norms for the individuals served and to provide outreach as a means to inform the public of the services of the program as well as provide information to the public about Alzheimer's disease and other dementias.

We support the intent of the bill to ensure that individuals in underserved communities, women, and minorities will benefit from the training and support services funded through the bill.

S 56 and HR 1474 will help our community with needed assistance for those individuals and families with the extra burden of a devastating illness.

Sincerely,