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The Honorable Kay Granger Chair House Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Robert Aderholt Chairman House Committee on Appropriations Labor, Health and Human Services, Education Subcommittee Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair Granger, Ranking Member DeLauro, and Chairman Aderholt:

Our organizations comprise the Steering Committee of the <u>Gun Violence Prevention (GVP)</u> <u>Research Roundtable</u> coalition, a non-partisan group of national medical, public health, and research organizations dedicated to advancing the gun violence prevention research field. On behalf of our coalition, we write to congratulate you on assuming your respective leadership positions of the House Appropriations Committee and Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Subcommittee in the 118th Congress.

We thank Congress for its bipartisan support over the last four years for research funding to develop an evidence-

We are grateful for the fourth consecutive year of bipartisan support for prevention research funding in fiscal year (FY) 2023, providing \$12.5 million each to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and National Institutes of Health (NIH), and \$1 million in dedicated funds for the National Institute of Justice for the first time. These investments are a crucial step toward applying an evidence-based approach to increasing gun safety and reducing firearm-related injuries and deaths, and we are excited to see these funds contributing to important prevention research projects that are now underway.

While these investments are important, increased funding is still needed to overcome the decadeslong lack of federal funding that stalled research on firearm-related morbidity and mortality. CDC and NIH continue to rea81reW*2 Tf11t81rs7(many81rs7(morETQ0.00000912 0 612 792 reW*h**B**/F1 12 Tf1 0 0