

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM ☒ Original ☐ Amendment

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for travel taken in connection with official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the annual *Financial Disclosure Statements* of those employees required to file them. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, **you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House by email at gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov, within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please **do not** file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

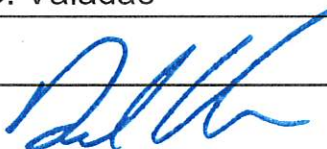
1. Name of Traveler: Olivia Speno
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: _____ **OR** ☐ None
b. Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates: Departure: Tuesday, August 5, 2025 Return: Saturday, August 9, 2025
b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: _____ **OR** ☐ None
4. Departure City: Washington, DC Destination: Los Angeles Return City: Washington, DC
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: Center Forward
We attended numerous meetings with Bio Tech companies and stakeholders in
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended: California.
We learned about the innovation happening in the industry, connected with patients impacted by the companies, and engaged with other local stakeholders.
7. Attached to this form are **each** of the following, *signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box*:
 - a. ☒ a completed *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form*;
 - b. ☒ the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* completed by the trip sponsor **prior** to the trip, **including all** attachments **and** the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
 - c. ☒ page 2 of the completed *Traveler Form* submitted by the employee; **and**
 - d. ☒ the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. ☒ I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda. *Signify statement is true by checking the box.*
b. If not, explain: _____

I certify that the information contained on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Traveler:  Date: 8/20/2025

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Name of Supervising Member: David G. Valadao Date: 8/20/2025

Signature of Supervising Member: 

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SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

☒ Original ☐ Amendment

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. **A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated in the trip within 10 days of their return.** You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House Rules and the Committee's Travel Regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) who paid or provided in-kind support for the trip: Center Forward

2. Travel Destination(s): Los Angeles, California / San Diego, California

3. Date of Departure: Tuesday, August 5, 2025 Date of Return: Saturday, August 9, 2025

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Olivia Speno

Note: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if *all* information is *identical* for each person listed.

5. **Actual amount** of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Total Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$755.51	\$806.00	\$251.79	0.00
Accompanying Family Member	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

6. ☒ All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment.
Signify statement is true by checking box.

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Riley Kilburg Date: Tuesday, August 12, 2025

Name: Riley Kilburg Title: Executive Director

Organization: Center Forward

☒ **I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box.**

Address: 1214A Ingleside Ave, McLean, VA, 22101

Telephone: 563-542-6821 Email: riley@center-forward.org

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103.

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TRAVELER FORM

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This form and any attachments may be submitted at 1015 Longworth House Office Building or
travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

Your completed request must be submitted to the Committee no less than 30 days before your proposed departure date. Absent exceptional circumstances, permission will not be granted for requests received less than 30 days before the trip commences. **You must receive explicit approval from the Committee before you depart on this trip.**

Name of Traveler: Olivia Speno

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I certify that the information contained on both pages of this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: 

Name of Signatory (if other than traveler): _____

For Staff (name of employing Member or Committee): Rep. David G. Valadao

Office Address: 2465 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Telephone Number: (202) 225-4695

Email Address of Contact Person: olivia.speno@mail.house.gov

☐ Check this box if the sponsoring entity is a media outlet, the purpose of the trip is to make a media appearance sponsored by that entity, and these forms are being submitted to the Committee less than 30 days before the trip departure date.

NOTE: You must complete all of the contact information fields above, as Committee staff may need to contact you if additional information is required.

KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM. Page 2 (but not this page) must be submitted to the Clerk as part of the post-travel disclosure required by House Rule 25. Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting paperwork for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

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1. Name of Traveler: Olivia Speno
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip: Center Forward
3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel: Los Angeles, CA/San Diego, CA
4. a. Date of Departure: Tuesday, August 5th, 2025 Date of Return: Saturday, August 9th, 2025
b. Yes ☐ No ☒ Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?
If yes, list dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Yes ☐ No ☒ Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? **If yes:**
(1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: _____
(2) Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
(3) Yes ☐ No ☐ Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age?
6. a. Yes ☐ No ☒ Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?
b. **If yes**, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:

7. Yes ☒ No ☐ *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitation, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.
NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. **Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.**
I handle the healthcare portfolio for Congressman David Valadao from CA. By learning more about
the CA healthcare system, this trip will support the work I do for the member.
9. **Yes ☐ No ☒ Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?**

10. For staff travelers, to be completed by your employing Member:

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Signature of Employing Member: _____



Date: 7/7/2025

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Signature: 

Name of Signatory (if other than traveler): _____

For Staff (name of employing Member or Committee): Rep. David G. Valadao

Office Address: 2465 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Telephone Number: (202) 225-4695

Email Address of Contact Person: olivia.speno@mail.house.gov

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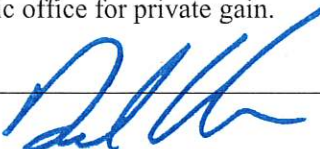
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b. Yes ☐ No ☒ Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?
If yes, list dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Yes ☐ No ☒ Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? **If yes:**
(1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: N/A
(2) Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
(3) Yes ☐ No ☐ Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age?
6. a. Yes ☐ No ☒ Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?
b. **If yes**, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:

7. Yes ☒ No ☐ *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitation, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.
NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. **Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.**
One of the issue areas I handle for Congressman Valadao as his Legislative Assistant is healthcare. The activities on the itinerary relate to my duties because I inform my boss on issues related to the California healthcare system, including providing information about our hospitals and healthcare providers. The trip will provide us with the opportunity to hear from local and state stakeholders, researchers, and healthcare providers.
9. **Yes ☐ No ☒ Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?**
10. For staff travelers, to be completed by your employing Member:

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Signature of Employing Member: _____



Date: 7/22/2025

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PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a *Traveler Form* **at least 30 days before the start date of the trip**. The trip sponsor should *NOT* submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee's website (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form. The Committee will notify the House invitees directly of its decision and will not notify the trip sponsors.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips. Signatures must comply with section 104(bb) of the Travel Regulations.

1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip:

Center Forward

2. ☒ I represent that the trip will not be financed, in whole or in part, by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*
3. **Check only one.** I represent that:
 - a. ☒ The primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source, funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip; **OR**
 - b. ☐ The trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds; **OR**
 - c. ☐ The primary trip sponsor has accepted funds, services, or in-kind assistance from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.

If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: _____

4. Provide names and titles of **ALL** House Members *and* employees you are inviting. **For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited** (include additional pages if necessary): _____
Please see attached supplemental form

5. Yes ☐ No ☒ Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?
6. Date of Departure: Tuesday, August 5th, 2025 Date of Return: Saturday, August 9th, 2025
7. a. City of departure: Washington, D.C.
b. Destination(s): Los Angeles, CA / San Diego, CA
c. City of return: Washington, D.C.
8. **Check only one.** I represent that
 - a. ☐ The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965; **OR**
 - b. ☒ The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent; **OR**
 - c. ☐ The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist / foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.

9. **Check only one of the following.**

- a. ☒ I checked 8(a) or (b) above; **OR**
- b. ☐ I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; **OR**
- c. ☐ I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night; **OR**
- d. ☐ I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights. If you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted. _____

10. ☒ Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees). *Indicate agenda is attached by checking box.*

11. **Check only one of the following.**

- a. ☒ I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip. *Signify the statement is true by clicking the box; OR*
- b. ☐ *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.

12. For **each** sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip **and** its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:

Please see attached supplemental form.

13. **Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary:**

- a. Mode of travel: Air ☒ Rail ☐ Bus ☒ Car ☐ Other ☐ (specify: _____)
- b. Class of travel: Coach ☐ Business ☐ First ☐ Charter ☐ Other ☐ (specify: _____)
- c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:

14. ☒ I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*

15. **Check only one.** I represent that either:

- a. ☐ The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees; **OR**

- b. ☒ The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation. If "b" is checked:

1) Detail the cost *per day* of meals (approximate cost may be provided): \$90 for three full days of program;
\$65 for one travel day

2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: _____

Please see attached supplemental form.

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel Name: The Langham Huntington City: Los Angeles Cost Per Night: \$191

Reason(s) for Selecting: Equidistant amongst the site visits on the agenda

Hotel Name: Kona Kai City: San Diego Cost Per Night: \$212

Reason(s) for Selecting: Equidistant amongst the site visits on the agenda

Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____

Reason(s) for Selecting: _____

17. ☒ I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*

18. **Total Expenses for each Participant:**

☐ Actual Amounts ☒ Good Faith Estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$950.00	\$806.00	\$335.00
For each Accompanying Family Member	N/A	N/A	N/A

	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$0.00	N/A
For each Accompanying Family Member	N/A	N/A

19. **Check only one:**

- a. ☒ I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below; **OR**
b. ☐ *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. **I certify by my signature that**

- a. **I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;**
b. **I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and**
c. **The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

Signature:  Date: Friday, June 27, 2025
Name: Riley Kilburg Title: Executive Director
Organization: Center Forward
Address: 1214A Ingleside Avenue, McLean, VA 22101
Email: riley@center-forward.org Telephone: 563-542-6821

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Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form: Supplemental

First	Last	Title	Affiliation	Reason
Katy	Albiani	Senior Legislative Assistant	Office of Representative Vince Fong	As Senior Legislative Assistant to a member of the California delegation and the Science, Space, and Technology Committee, Ms. Albiani can speak to investments in emerging technologies as a part of the healthcare ecosystem.
Elizabeth	Beltran	Legislative Assistant	Office of Representative Troy Carter	As Legislative Assistant to a member of the Energy and Commerce Committee, Ms. Beltran can provide insights on ways in which Congress and the federal government can invest in technological innovations.
Cameryn	Blackmore	Senior Health Policy Advisor	Office of Representative Terri Sewell	As Senior Health Policy Advisor to a member of the Ways and Means Committee, Ms. Blackmore can offer perspectives on Congress's efforts to expand or improve existing tax incentives in the healthcare innovation sector.
Anne-Marie	Boisseau	Legislative Director	Office of Representative Lizzie Fletcher	As Legislative Director to a member of the Energy and Commerce Committee, Ms. Boisseau can provide insights on the room for federal support to investments in critical innovative technological industries.
Jack	Boyd	Deputy Chief of Staff	Office of Representative Claudia Tenney	As Deputy Chief of Staff to a member of the Ways and Means Committee, Mr. Boyd can offer insight on how Congress intends to incentivize innovation in the healthcare sector through expanding or improving existing tax incentives.
Alex	DeRiso	Legislative Assistant	Office of Representative Troy Balderson	As Legislative Assistant to a member of the Energy and Commerce Committee, Ms. DeRiso can provide new perspectives for how stakeholders can encourage investments within the technological industry and promote healthcare innovation.
Michelle	Galdamez	Senior Health Policy Advisor	Office of Representative Robin Kelly	As Senior Health policy Advisor to a member of the Energy and Commerce Committee, Ms. Galdamez can provide insights on federal efforts to innovate within healthcare, particularly within critical technological industries.

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Jack	Ganter	Legislative Director	Office of Representative Buddy Carter	As Legislative Director to a member of the Energy and Commerce Committee, Mr. Ganter can provide information on the emerging healthcare issues that will need to be addressed in order to modernize healthcare and spur investment into new technological solutions.
Madison	Hughes	Senior Legislative Assistant	Office of Representative Steven Horsford	As Senior Legislative Assistant to a member of the Ways and Means Committee, Ms. Hughes can contribute to and lead conversations surrounding incentives for healthcare innovation including expanding or improving certain tax credits and incentives.
Joel	Keralis	Legislative Director	Office of Representative Adrian Smith	As Legislative Director to a member of the Ways and Means Committee, Mr. Keralis can offer perspectives on Congress's efforts to reorganize tax incentives within the healthcare sector to encourage further innovations.
Tyler	Mortier	Legislative Assistant	Office of Representative John Joyce	As Legislative Assistant to a member of the Energy and Commerce Committee, Mr. Mortier is able to speak to how the federal government can help fund and promote investment in vital, cutting-edge technological industries which spur healthcare innovation.
Alex	Sells	Legislative Assistant	Office of Representative Mike Kelly	As a Legislative Assistant to Rep. Mike Kelly, who serves on the Ways and Means Committee, Mr. Sells can offer perspectives on federal efforts to encourage financial incentives for investing in startups and early-stage companies bringing innovations to the market, and how Members of Congress can lead efforts to innovate in healthcare.
Carly	Sincavitch	Policy Advisor	Office of Representative Eric Swalwell	As a Policy Advisor to a member of the California delegation and the Judiciary Committee, Ms. Sincavitch can speak to federal protections and incentives for sharing intellectual property, which is essential to innovation and new business growth.

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Sarah	Skirmont	Legislative Director	Office of Representative Linda Sanchez	As Legislative Director for a member of the California delegation and the Ways and Means Committee, Ms. Skirmont can speak to the ways that the Federal government can incentivize innovation, giving particular attention to the ways that California stakeholders benefit or are harmed by individual federal policies.
Olivia	Speno	Legislative Assistant	Office of Representative David Valadao	As Legislative Assistant to a member of the California delegation and the Appropriations Committee, Ms. Speno can speak to federal investments supporting healthcare development.
Peter	Stein	Senior Policy Advisor	Office of Representative Diana Harshbarger	As Senior Policy Advisor to a member of the Energy and Commerce Committee, Mr. Stein can offer insights into opportunities for federal support of investments in key emerging technology sectors within healthcare.
Rhett	Styles	Legislative Assistant	Office of Representative Nicole Maliotakis	As Legislative Assistant to a member of the Ways and Means Committee and Subcommittee on Tax, Mr. Styles can illustrate how healthcare and taxation are intertwined and how Congress can best position itself to be a driver of healthcare innovation rather than a deterrent.
Emma	Vogel	Legislative Assistant	Office of Representative Adam Gray	As Legislative Assistant for a member of the California delegation and the Agriculture Committee, Ms. Vogel can offer insights on federal investment into healthcare research and public-private partnerships as they relate to nutrition, soil health, and the SNAP safety net.
Kobe	Walker	Policy Advisor	Office of Representative Greg Landsman	As Policy Advisor to a member of the Energy and Commerce Committee, Ms. Walker can assist in leading conversations surrounding healthcare innovation within technological industries.

Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form: Supplemental

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12. Sponsor's interest in the subject matter and role in organizing the trip:

Center Forward's Healthcare Innovation Conference is being convened to bring together a bipartisan group of senior legislative staffers from the House of Representatives to discuss innovation and development in America's critical healthcare industries and how the federal government can foster business growth and further scientific progress. Center Forward's organizational mission is to provide centrists with the information they need to craft common-sense solutions and provide support in turning those ideas into results. Center Forward brings together Members of Congress, their staffs, not-for-profits, academic experts, trade associations, corporations, and unions to find common ground.

Center Forward is the sole organizer of the trip. Center Forward is planning the conference and is responsible for the organization and execution of the event logistics as well as the programming content. Discussion topics will include the venture capital ecosystem, innovative technologies, artificial intelligence applications for healthcare, supply chain onshoring, solutions for health disparities, new public-private partnership opportunities, and workforce development initiatives to support sensitive and growing industries. Conference attendees will be senior legislative staffers from House member offices, and will speak with researchers, business leaders, startup founders, academics, and local government officials in the Southern California area.

15.b.2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip:

Southern California, specifically Los Angeles and San Diego, were selected as the location for the conference to give attendees an on-the-ground experience in two of America's largest innovation hub cities. The Southern California corridor has been the newest epicenter of healthcare innovation in the last decade. Coupled with a world-class universities providing a remarkable workforce pool, some of the most innovative and successful American companies have chosen to make a home in this portion of the country. Throughout the conference, attendees will see the results of investment in these industries and learn about the unique culture that attracts business growth and talent from around the world.

Michael Guest, Mississippi
Chairman
Mark DeSaulnier, California
Ranking Member

John H. Rutherford, Florida
Andrew R. Garbarino, New York
Ashley Hinson, Iowa
Nathaniel Moran, Texas

Deborah K. Ross, North Carolina
Glenn F. Ivey, Maryland
Sylvia R. Garcia, Texas
Suhas Subramanyam, Virginia



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August 1, 2025

Ms. Olivia Speno
Office of the Honorable David G. Valadao
2465 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ms. Speno:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Los Angeles and San Diego, California, scheduled for August 5 to 9, 2025, sponsored by Center Forward.

You must complete an Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, you must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$480 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

Michael Guest
Chairman

Mark DeSaulnier
Ranking Member

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