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## COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

LEASE
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
PONCE, PUERTO RICO
PPR-01-VA17

## RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE

that pursuant to title 40 U.S.C. § 3307, a prospectus providing for a lease of approximately 114,300 net usable square feet of space, and approximately 915 parking spaces, for the Department of Veterans Affairs for a Community Based Outpatient Clinic in Ponce, Puerto Rico to replace the existing Ponce Outpatient Clinic at a proposed unserviced annual cost of \$5,436,108 for a lease term of up to 20 years, a description of which is attached hereto and by reference made part of this resolution, is approved.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to execution of the new lease.

*Provided that*, to the maximum extent practicable, the lease contract(s) shall include a purchase option that can be exercised at the conclusion of the firm term of the lease.

Provided further, that the Administrator shall require that the delineated area of the procurement is identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, except that, if the Administrator determines that the delineated area of the procurement should not be identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the United States Senate prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

Provided further, that the Administrator shall provide to the Chairman or Ranking Member of the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate, in a timely manner, requested documents and information regarding this prospectus and resulting contractual materials, without redaction other than redactions to exclude business confidential, proprietary, and/or procurement sensitive information.

Provided further, that the design of the outpatient clinic shall be consistent with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs' Community Based Outpatient Clinic Prototype Proposed Layouts.

Chairman John Buruses

Ranking Member

Adopted: November 29, 2017