Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20510

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The Honorable Tom Cole Chair House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Advanced Manufacturing-STEM Laboratories Research and Training Equipment Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is The Ohio State University, located at 15 East 15th Avenue, Fifth Floor, Columbus, OH 43201.

The funding would be used to purchase research equipment for laboratories at The Ohio State University's regional campuses located in Lima, Marion, Mansfield, and Newark to advance the University's integrated advanced manufacturing and STEM program. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will enhance a key university STEM program that provides students with workforce training and skills for in-demand jobs in science, manufacturing, cybersecurity, and other STEM fields important to the country's long-term economic competitiveness.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 272 of title 15, United States Code.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Joyce Beatty Member of Congress