

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20510

May 2, 2025

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 Engineering Laboratories Enhancement Initiative Project in Fiscal Year 2026. 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 and make related renovations to accommodate the equipment at The Ohio State University's regional campuses located in Lima, Marion, Mansfield, and Newark in order 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