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Congress of the United States House of Representatives

May 7, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations H-305, the Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth HOB Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Novel Equipment for the Center for Innovation through Visualization and Simulation (CIVS) project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Purdue University Northwest, located at 2200 169th St, Hammond, IN 46323. The funding would be used for for critical equipment upgrades to support growing federal research investments in the Center for Innovation through Visualization and Simulation (CIVS), the nation's leading research center for industrial decarbonization and digital transformation. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it aligns with investments in research and technology to support sustainable industrial practices and economic development, particularly given Purdue University Northwest's commitment to leading in areas of national importance, such as industrial decarbonization and digital transformation.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in 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.

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Member of Congress

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