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## **Congress of the United States** House of Representatives Mashington, DC 20515–0105

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the High Performance Computing Systems for Controlled Unclassified Information project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Auburn University Applied Research Institute, located at 345 Voyager Way NW, Huntsville, Alabama 35806. The funding would be used to acquire advanced computing systems to support critical federal research priorities, including specific hardware components necessary to handle demanding computational tasks. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would support ongoing research and development initiatives and advance applied research in the defense and aerospace sectors.

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.

Sincerely,

Dale W. Strong Member of Congress