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The Honorable Tom Cole Chair House Appropriations Committee 2358-B Rayburn Office Building Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Hillsborough Community College Artificial Intelligence Center project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding is the Hillsborough Community College located at 4001 W. Tampa Bay Boulevard, Tampa, FL 33614. The funding would be a valuable use of taxpayer dollars because it would be used to establish a high-tech Artificial Intelligence Center to provide a critical career pipeline to in-demand jobs, strengthen American competitiveness, and support a local community college as an economic engine.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1).

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

Sincerely,

Kathy Castor

United States Representative

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