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House of Representatives
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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives Washington,
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

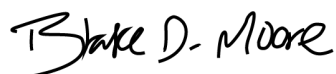
I am requesting funding for the F-35 Canopy Repair Facility at Hill Air Force Base in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the U.S. Air Force, located at Hill Air Force Base, 7981 Georgia St, Hill AFB, UT 84056.

The funding would be used to construct a single story medium bay industrial facility consisting of reinforced concrete footings, foundation, and floor slabs, structural steel framed insulated masonry walls, and insulated steel frame roof. The proposed facility is for the maintenance and repair of low observable canopy assemblies associated with F-35 fighter aircraft.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Ogden Air Logistics Complex at Hill AFB has been selected by the Air Force as the sole Depot Source of Repair for canopy repair work for all F-35 aircraft in the Air Force inventory. Additionally, the facility will support F-35 canopies for the Navy, Marines, and several of our allied nations. Currently, F-35 canopy repair work is being done in building 271 and building 850, which are only able to support a low initial production rate of six assemblies per month. This rate is acceptable at the present time, but as the Air Force continues to acquire more F-35 aircraft, more of the canopy depot maintenance work currently being done by the manufacturer will soon, by contract, be transferred to the Air Force; at which time a much larger repair facility on base will need to be ready.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 10 U.S.C. Chapter 169. I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Representative Blake Moore
Member of Congress