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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Utah Network for Integrated Computing and Semiconductor Research and Education project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the University of Utah, located at 201 Presidents Circle, Salt Lake City, Utah 84112. The funding would be used to purchase an electron beam lithography system, a key instrument required to build devices at the nanometer scale.

The investment in this project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will bolster technical leadership in semiconductors by training a growing pool of highly skilled domestic talent in semiconductor manufacturing. There is an urgent need for qualified entry-, mid-, and skilled-level workers to meet industry demands and national security needs. Providing a career pathway for constituents will secure individual income potential and contribute to local economic development and strengthening U.S. national security and supply chains.

The project has a federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in section 272 of title 15, United States Code.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Representative Blake Moore

Blake D. Moore

Member of Congress