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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Catalyst Campus SCIF in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Catalyst Campus Ogden, located at 2324 Washington Boulevard Ogden, Utah 84401. The funding would be used for the construction of a classified environment needed by Northern Utah's aerospace and defense ecosystem to be occupied and utilized by Hill Air Force Base. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this project amplifies key areas of community need. First, an ecosystem connections to amplify economic development, community engagement and drive innovation. Second, a strategic partner to build learning environment to amplify workforce capacity in high need tech career fields. Third, a STEM Center to provide support for an underserved populations including minority, low-income and first-generation community members. Lastly, the project's overarching vision is to be a mission-focused collaboration and innovation ecosystem for private industry, academia, and government. There is a close tie between supporting national security and supporting the economic and workforce development of the local underserved region to improve lives and strengthen communities.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,

Blake Moore Member of Congress

Jake D. Moore