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The Honorable Tom Cole
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The Honorable Rose DeLauro
Ranking Member,
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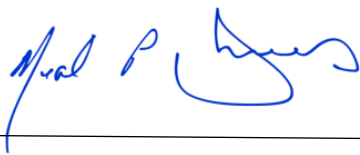
Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Florida State University's development of the FSU Hypersonic Test Facility. The entity to receive funding for this project is Jackson County Sheriff's Office, located at 601 W College Ave, Tallahassee, FL 32306. The funding for this project would be used to develop a hypersonic test facility located in Panama City. This test facility with advanced wind-tunnel testing capabilities will create a unique shared resource to advance key defense capabilities while serving as a workforce education center for Northwest Florida. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because investing in a project to develop a high-enthalpy hypersonic test facility represents a strategic and valuable use of taxpayer dollars for several compelling reasons. These reasons span economic, strategic, educational, and scientific benefits, underlining the project's potential to deliver significant returns on investment.

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,



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Member of Congress

