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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Appropriations Committee H-307 Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for an Artificial Intelligence (AI) Innovation Laboratory in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project Hope through Housing Foundation, located at 9692 Haven Avenue, #100, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730.

The funding would be used to provide community access to cutting-edge computing technology, create augmented and virtual reality content and beta test new business models. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will drive economic and workforce development by ensuring access to artificial intelligence computing tools, state-of-the-art production equipment and a cohort of experts in the field.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in section 227 of title 15.

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

Sincerely,

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Pete Aguilar Member of Congress

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