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March 27, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for **the La Puente High School Robotics Innovation Labs Project** in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is **Hacienda La Puente Unified School District**, located at **15959 E. Gale Avenue, City of Industry, CA 91745**. The funding would be used to **create Robotics Innovation Labs at La Puente High School by modernizing outdated learning spaces and procuring robotics equipment in order to expand hands-on engineering and robotics opportunities for thousands of students. The region faces persistent shortages in robotics, engineering, and skilled technical fields. Local employers, higher-education institutions, and community organizations have expressed strong support for expanding robotics education. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it prepares students for high-demand careers in engineering, automation, and advanced manufacturing while strengthening the local workforce and economy. It provides access to hands-on STEM learning, increases student engagement and achievement, and modernizes public-school facilities in a cost-effective way.**

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in **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,

Gilbert R. Cisneros, Jr.
Member of Congress