



May 21, 2025

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 Jacksonville State University Center for Manufacturing Support project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Jacksonville State University located at 700 Pelham Rd North Jacksonville, AL 36265. The project is a state-funded center with a mission to promote advanced manufacturing practices in regional industries while providing practical learning experiences for JSU students. This funding would allow JSU to consolidate these activities into a single state of the art facility opening the current space to other uses. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the facility will allow Center staff to simultaneously train students, conduct research, problem-solve for local businesses, and innovate in the use of additive manufacturing and robotics across industries.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1).

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

Sincerely,

Mike Rogers

Member of Congress

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