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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 Advanced Imaging System Laboratory Equipment in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Texas A&M International University (TAMIU), located at 5201 University Boulevard, Laredo, Texas 78041. This funding would be used to buy an advanced micro computed tomography (micro CT) system for a new imaging lab at TAMIU, giving researchers clear internal views of rock and fluid behavior under extreme conditions. The lab will drive research in carbon capture, hydrogen storage, geothermal energy and other areas across engineering, biology and health sciences.

This project has a Federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized 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,

Henry Lellar

Henry Cuellar, Ph.D. U.S. Congressman 28th District of Texas