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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

It is a pleasure serving with you on the Committee on Appropriations, I value your leadership. I am requesting funding for the construction of the Broadband Innovation Center project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Terra State Community College, located at 2830 Napoleon Rd, Fremont, Ohio 43420. The funding would be used to train future workers in the broadband construction program which is currently offered by (TSCC). This will increase broadband industry career awareness and establish scaled education and training programs which will assist in bringing broadband and 5G sector solutions to market quickly. In addition, this broadband initiative is intended to expand high speed internet access to underserved areas, specifically targeting rural areas.

This project has a Federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 2331 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990, 7 U.S. Code section 950aaa.

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

Sincerely,

MARCY KAPTUR Member of Congress

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