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March 31, 2023

Honorable Kay Granger  
Chair  
House Committee on Appropriations  
H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth HOB  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Aerospace Digital Engineering Research project in fiscal year 2024.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the National Center for Defense Manufacturing and Machining, located at 521 Texas Ave, El Paso, TX 79901. The funding would be used to initiate a research project with El Paso manufacturers to develop pathways using cutting edge research and innovation to produce mission-critical and flight-qualified components and sub-assemblies through the state-of-the-art digital engineering.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it provides capabilities to the U.S. defense industrial base by serving small and medium-sized manufacturers and aerospace, defense, and advanced manufacturing startups in West Texas.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Veronica Escobar".

Member of Congress