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March 19, 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  
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Total Experience Learning (TEpL) Standards, Innovation and Technology Transfer Education Initiative in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Total Experience Learning at Alvernia University, located at 401 Penn Street, Reading, PA, 19601. The funding would be used to establish a regional hub that trains educators and students about technology transfer, standards-based innovation, and intellectual property development. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will strengthen the regional workforce pipeline for industries that depend on technological innovation.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized under NIST Scientific and Technical Research projects, section 272 of title 15, United States Code.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chrissy Houlahan".

Chrissy Houlahan  
Member of Congress