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March 24, 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 Penn State Berks Advanced Manufacturing Innovation & Workforce Training with Smart Factory Equipment in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Penn State Berks, located at 2100 Stoudt Road, Reading, PA 19610. The funding would be used for smart factory equipment technologies. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will expand advanced manufacturing and workforce training and support regional industry.

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,

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

Chrissy Houlahan  
Member of Congress