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March 19, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa L DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$3,000,000 in funding for the **UT Dallas High Density Power Electronic Systems (HIDEPS)** project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the University of Texas at Dallas, located at 800 West Campbell Road, Richardson, TX 75080. The funding would be used to build on the UT Dallas North Texas Semiconductor Institute by purchasing advanced test and evaluation tools to characterize semiconductor devices for high power density applications.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this project will advance research and workforce development for high density power electronic systems that are needed for data centers and a reliable electric grid. Additionally, it aligns with federal initiatives to reduce reliance on international companies, which requires improved semiconductor manufacturing capabilities in the U.S.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Julie E. Johnson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Julie E. Johnson
Member of Congress