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May 2, 2025

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 \$1,250,000 in funding for the **University of Texas at Dallas Comparative Effectiveness of North Texas Workforce Development Programs for Semiconductors** project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the University of Texas at Dallas located at 800 W. Campbell Road, Richardson, TX 75080. The funding would be used to conduct a comprehensive study characterizing the effectiveness of a range of current workforce development programs, spanning K-12, vocational, and community colleges, that support the semiconductor industry.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it is a national priority to on-shore the manufacturing of critical technologies for our economic and national security. While Texas, in particular North Texas, is poised to be a global leader in semiconductor technology, it is imperative that we have efficient and effective strategies to cultivate the semiconductor workforce for Texas and the country.

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 stylized flourish at the end.

Julie E. Johnson
Member of Congress