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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-2211

April 25th, 2025

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
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Oakland University Digital Twin Center for Smart Adaptable Manufacturing Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Oakland University, located at Wilson Hall 371 Wilson Boulevard Rochester, Michigan 48309 – 4486.

The funding would be used for the purchase of equipment and technology the will be used for research and education on the use of digital twins in the manufacturing sector. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it builds upon the work of NIST and the Manufacturing USA initiative to provide testing, demonstration, and standards development for smart manufacturing and digital twins, while growing and training the workforce.

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,



Haley Stevens
Member of Congress