## Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

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Chairman Tom Cole House Appropriations Committee H-307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 Ranking Member Rosa DeLauro House Appropriations Committee 2313 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Pitt-Johnstown Future Works project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the University of Pittsburgh, located at 4200 Fifth Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213. The funding would be used to acquire the necessary equipment for the creation of an advanced manufacturing education and training space.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the proposed project will provide education and training opportunities for community members. This training will support existing small businesses, and spur equitable and diversified economic development. The project will help revitalize downtown Johnstown, benefiting the whole community.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by one or more of the following eligible uses of the Community Development Fund (CDF): 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1), 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2), 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(4), and 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(5).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

John Joyce, M.D.

Member of Congress