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March 27, 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
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Texas A&M AgriLife Foundation Seed Enhanced Crop Genetics Storage Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Texas A&M AgriLife Foundation Seed, located at 11914 US 70 South, Vernon, Texas 76384. The funding would be used to construct a new cold storage facility at Texas A&M AgriLife Foundation Seed, which will help protect current crop varieties, genetic resources, and germplasm collections and enhance new variety development and research capabilities at the location. The project is a valuable use of taxpayer dollars because it will help Foundation Seed decrease genetic losses at their location and maintain critical seed breeding necessary to keep Texas farmers and agricultural businesses economically viable.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(2).

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Ronny L. Jackson
Member of Congress