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May 10, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Midwestern State University Cybersecurity Software Infrastructure Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Midwestern State University, located at 3410 Taft Blvd. Wichita Falls, TX 76308. The funding would be used to build MSU's capacity in cybersecurity by growing its hardware and software infrastructure, course development, and increasing pathways to credentials in cybersecurity. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because in an ever growing technologically advanced world where cyber threats and crime are at an all-time high, investment in future generations of cybersecurity experts is critical to combatting foreign adversaries like China and Iran who are already exploiting evolving technologies.

This 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,

Ronny L. Jackson Member of Congress