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March 31, 2023

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Palm Beach State College Transportation Technology Expansion Project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Palm Beach State College, located at 4200 Congress Avenue, Lake Worth, FL 33461. The funding would be used to expand Palm Beach State College's existing Transportation Technology Program, through which it trains automotive technicians for a rapidly demanding workforce. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will contribute to economic growth in Palm Beach County by training mechanics in an emerging field. There are currently 2,397 job openings in Palm Beach County for automotive mechanics, and these jobs pay \$19 to \$35 per hour.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(4).

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

Sincerely,

Lois Frankel

Member of Congress

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