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May 2, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
House Appropriations Committee  
H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Appropriations Committee  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Bernalillo Public School District Cochiti Multi-Cultural and Career Technical Education Center project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Bernalillo Public School District, located at 560 S Camino Del Pueblo, Bernalillo, New Mexico, 87004. The funding would be used to construct and equip the Cochiti Multicultural and Career Technical Education Center. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will serve about 300 students in the Cochiti Pueblo area, bridge critical infrastructure gaps and provide youth with the tools and resources necessary for success in the workforce.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

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

Sincerely,



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Teresa Leger Fernández  
Member of Congress