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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 BioDistrict New Orleans – Medical Education in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is BioDistrict New Orleans, located at 701 Loyola Ave, #56181, New Orleans, LA 70156. The funding would be used to support the renovation, construction, and equipment for a facility for the Xavier University of Louisiana and Ochner Health's new joint College of Medicine (XOCOM). The project involves converting an existing space into several classrooms, an auditorium/conference facility, and space for students and faculty to meet. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will help develop the necessary infrastructure for XOCOM, which will help fill a critical gap in the Louisiana physician pipeline and support broader public health and economic initiatives for the New Orleans region.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

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

Sincerely,



Troy A. Carter, Sr.  
Member of Congress