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May 2, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole  
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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

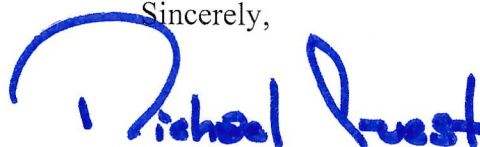
I am requesting funding for the University of Mississippi Medical Center Research Lab Equipment project at the University of Mississippi Medical Center (UMMC) in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the University of Mississippi Medical Center located at 2500 North State Street, Jackson, Mississippi, 39216. The funding would provide lab equipment to outfit the renovation of the eighth floor of the original research building on the UMMC campus in Jackson, Mississippi. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the equipment would allow UMMC to expand its animal imaging capabilities, greatly bolstering its cancer research program.

This project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 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.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress

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