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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations 2358-A Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 2358-A Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$2 million in funding for the DMACC Diesel, HVAC, Building Trades, and Fire Science Facility Support Project in Fiscal Year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Des Moines Area Community College, located at 2006 S. Ankeny Blvd., Ankeny, IA 50023. The funding would be used to expand DMACC's Diesel, HVAC, Building Trades, and Fire Science program to support jobs considered high demand occupations by the Future Ready Iowa Initiative and are supported by Iowa's Last Dollar Scholarship program, which allows students to receive scholarship support for enrollment in education leading to employment in a high-demand occupational area. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this project will support DMACC in increasing the training capacity of its HVAC program. As a result, more students will be trained each year to address a significant need for these occupations in Iowa, and a significant demand among DMACC students to enroll in these programs.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), 42 USC 5305(a)(4).

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

Sincerely,

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Rep. Zach Nunn (IA-03)