## Congress of the United States

## Washington, DC 20515

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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 funding for the IWCC Flexible Learning and Experiential Training (FLEX) Lab Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Iowa Western Community College, located at 2700 College Rd, Council Bluffs, IA 51503. The funding would be used for renovating and expanding multi-purpose skilled trades labs at IWCC's Clarinda and Atlantic Rural Centers. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it represents a fiscally responsible, high-impact use of taxpayer funds. This dual-site investment offers sustainable, long-term value by addressing rural workforce shortages while increasing regional self-sufficiency.

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

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

Sincerely,

Rep. Zach Nunn (IA-03)

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