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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for Cyber Defense, Rapid Response and Training Project at Sam Houston State University's (SHSU) campus in my district in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is located at 925 City Central Avenue, Conroe, TX, 77303.

The project will provide real time cyber monitoring, rapid response and forensic analysis, and cybersecurity training for law enforcement and small-to-medium-sized public entities throughout TX-08. The project will leverage existing IT infrastructure and training platforms in the Cyber Forensics Intelligence Center (CFIC) and the Institute for Homeland Security (IHS) at SHSU, providing a cost-effective solution for continuous monitoring for digital signatures of malware and cyber events within partner networks. The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized under section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

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

Sincerely,

Morgan Luttrell Member of Congress