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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 2313 Rayburn HOB Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Launchpad for Learning: Building STEM Skills, Focus, and Opportunity at Carver Middle School Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Partnership LA located at 1055 Wilshire Boulevard, Ste. 1850 Los Angeles, CA 90017.

The \$440,000 request will equip an unused space at Carver MS as a STEM center for robotics, engineering, esports, and career-ready skills that boost engagement and school safety.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will rapidly transform an unused campus space into a full-day STEM Innovation Center at Carver Middle School—offering hands-on training in robotics, 3D printing, engineering, and digital skills. The project strengthens student engagement, school safety, and workforce readiness in alignment with local and national economic priorities.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in 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.

Sincerely,

Sydney Kamlager-Dove Member of Congress