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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations,
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations,
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Palo Alto College Palomino Center Renovation – PAC School of Business project in Fiscal Year 27. The entity to receive funding for this project is Palo Alto College located at 1400 W. Villaret Blvd, San Antonio, TX 78224.

This funding would be used to to renovate the existing Palomino Center into the Palo Alto College School of Business. The School of Business will house an Entrepreneurship Center, startup incubator spaces, and a Career Services Hub.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds as it will provide students and community members with direct access to mentorship, startup infrastructure, and career development support within a single facility designed to strengthen the region's economic ecosystem.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in Section 5305(a)(4) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-383), as amended.

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

Sincerely,



Joaquin Castro
Member of Congress