April 28, 2021

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 2051

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for Laboratory Equipment for the Westside Education and Training Center in fiscal year 2022. The entity to receive funding for this project is Alamo Colleges District, located at:

2222 N. Alamo St.,
San Antonio, Texas 78215

The funding would be used for equipment in two labs to enhance instruction at the newly constructed WETC (Westside Education and Training Center). The WETC is a community/neighborhood-based education and training facility located in the westside of San Antonio within the Edgewood Independent School District boundary that has the lowest postsecondary participation rate within the city.

This funding will help support WETC provide Career and Technical Education offerings targeted at adults that are under employed or displaced. This way, these under employed or displaced individuals are provided the opportunity for a postsecondary degree or credential, in a community/neighborhood setting, and an additional on-ramp pathway to one of the districts five community colleges.

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

Sincerely,

Joaquin Castro
Member of Congress