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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
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H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Augusta University Rapid Fentanyl Detection in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Augusta University, located at 1120 15th St, Augusta, Georgia 30912. The funding would be used for developing an instrument that improves current detection methods of narcotics and other substances by rapidly providing accurate data analysis to Field Operations agents without having to risk their safety. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the rise of new fentanyl analogs has created serious problems, especially for first responders and border agents' exposure and death. The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized under section 272 of title 15, United States Code. I certify that neither I nor my immediate family have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Earl L. "Buddy" Carter
Member of Congress