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May 10, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations H-307 United States Capitol Building Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations H-307 United States Capitol Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Nursing Simulator Equipment to Promote Houston Workforce Development Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Texas Women's University (TWU) headquartered at 6700 Fannin St, Houston, TX 77030.

The funding would be used to incorporate simulation lab courses at TWU Houston's College of Nursing. These lab courses will offer students opportunities for repetitive, deliberate practice to build critical skills and clinical judgment to increase the readiness of the graduates. This would allow TWU Houston to serve the community and students more effectively with updated simulation equipment. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Houston area has experienced significant population growth in recent years, creating a greater demand for healthcare services, including preventive care, chronic disease management, and acute care. The population in this area is diverse, with individuals from different socioeconomic backgrounds, ages, and cultural backgrounds. Nurses are essential in providing safe, culturally sensitive care and addressing the unique healthcare needs of diverse communities. Nursing programs must ensure that students are adequately prepared to meet these needs, which this project would aim to do.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2) enacted by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family. Should you require additional information, please contact my Chief of Staff, Scott Bell, by email at Scott.Bell@mail.house.gov or phone at (202) 225-7508.

Sincerely,

Al Green

Member of Congress