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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Committee on Appropriations 2308 Rayburn HOB Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 2413 Rayburn HOB Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Cooperative Extension Building Expansion Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE), Allegany County, located at 5435 Co Rd 48, Belmont, NY 14813. The funding would be used to improve the CCE Allegany County facility. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the building has been in a state of disrepair for many years and this renovation project will result in a state of-the-art teaching facility that can serve CCE Allegany and the local community. This facility serves various groups, including CCE Staff, volunteers, local non-profits, and regional agricultural teams, aiming to educate them about food, nutrition, and cooking through small-group, hands-on sessions to promote improved personal and public health. The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Nicholas A. Langworthy

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Member of Congress