Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515–1805

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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro, Chair House Appropriations Committee H-307, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger, Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Post-Secondary Educational Program for Young People with Developmental Disabilities Program at LSU-Alexandria. The entity to receive funding for this project is Louisiana State University at Alexandria and is located at 8100 Highway 71 South, Alexandria, LA 71302.

The funding would be used to develop the Special Program for the Enhancement of Recourses and Opportunities for Young People with Developmental Disabilities (SPERO) Program at Louisiana State University at Alexandria. This program will be open to young people between the ages of 18 and 28 who have an identified developmental disability and are ineligible for regular college admission. Students admitted to the program will take special program classes designed to improve their daily living skills, interpersonal skills, and employment skills. This addresses the lack of post-secondary educational options for young people with developmental disabilities in Central Louisiana, a significant community need.

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

I request you give this project every consideration, consistent with all rules and regulations. Thank you for your attention to this request. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

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