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Congress of the United States House of Representatives

March 19, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Missouri Cybersecurity Assurance Assistance Partnership (MoCAAP) in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the University of Missouri-Kansas City, located at Flarsheim Hall, Room 251, 5110 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110.

The funding would be used to position UMKC as a research and validation hub dedicated to developing standards-aligned, AI-driven cybersecurity tools specifically designed to protect public schools and municipalities before disruption occurs. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it is research that will aid in proactively identifying vulnerabilities, strengthening defenses, and developing reproducible cybersecurity measurement tools.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 272 of title 15, United States Code.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Emanuel Cleaver, II".

Emanuel Cleaver, II
Member of Congress

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