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Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting \$5,148,596 in funding for the Mobile Manufacturing Lab and Nursing Program Enhancements and Scholarships in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is Goodwin University, located at 1 Riverside Drive, East Hartford, CT 06118.

Goodwin University (GU) seeks to increase capacity in two workforce tracts:

ADVANCED MANUFACTURING: GU owns the Mobile Manufacturing Lab (MML), a state-of-the-art mobile classroom and the only one of its kind in Connecticut. It is self-powered and climate-controlled, with a Wi-Fi hotspot, computer projection and overhead speaker capability. It is utilized for workshops with middle and high school students and incumbent worker training workshops at employment sites. GU requests funding for a second Mobile Lab to expand learning opportunities statewide.

NURSING: GU's Nursing program technology is at least 15 years behind what is currently available and requests funds to purchase new technical equipment, developing improved lab spaces and providing faculty simulation utilization trainings to increase competency based lab experiences for students. To further encourage equity and persistence, GU is proposing tuition scholarships for 60 historically underserved students in our Accelerated Bachelors of Nursing Program. Often these students have exhausted their financial aid and Pell grants; scholarships will ensure their ability to graduate on time.

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

Sincerely,

John B. Larson