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## **Congress of the United States** House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515–4401

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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Chairwoman House Appropriations Committee H-307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee H-307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for materials for the launch of Weber State University's Physician Assistant Program in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Weber State University, located at 3850 Dixon Pkwy Dept 1021 Ogden, UT 84408.

The funding would be used to equip and supply its Interprofessional Education Building with the necessary materials to launch its Physician Assistant Program by January of 2023. Providing the necessary equipment and materials will help in the launching of WSU's new (PA) program and increase the healthcare professions workforce that is needed in the local community. With both McKay Dee Hospital and Ogden Regional Hospital being two major medical centers in the local Ogden community, increasing the number of medical practitioners that WSU can produce and provide to the community is a major benefit to both local and state-wide shortages. Trained under the same model as physicians and licensed to practice medicine, PAs offer a solution to filling this growing gap in care left by shortages in the physician workforce.

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

Sincerely,

Blake D. Moore

Blake Moore Member of Congress

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