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March 19, 2026

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

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for Marillac Hall Technology Hub in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is St. John's University, located 8000 Utopia Parkway, Jamaica, NY 11439.

The funding would be used to purchase technology for a dedicated learning space, featuring an AI Institute. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will support student enrollment, enhance the University's academic profile, and facilitate the expansion of other programs, such as those in AI and STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math).

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in 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,



Gregory W. Meeks  
Member of Congress