



Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-4006

May 2, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Appropriations Committee
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Tom Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the South Carolina State University Military Science Center of Excellence project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is South Carolina State University, located at 300 College Street, NE, Orangeburg, SC 29117. The funding would be used for the construction of a multi-purpose center for reserve officer cadets, cross-enrolled students, service members, veterans and their families. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because as access to the Center expands to military leaders from around the Country, it will enhance community and economic development.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

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

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,

James E. Clyburn
Member of Congress