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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
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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 Russell Street Improvement Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Claflin University located at 400 Magnolia Street, Orangeburg, SC 29115. The funding would be used for facility improvement and economic revitalization of an economically distressed, blighted and persistently impoverished area.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this project will increase economic growth and residential growth. 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