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The Hon. Kay Granger Chairwoman H-307, The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Hon. Rosa L. DeLauro Ranking Member 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Cryogenic Electron Microscope project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is University of Maryland, Baltimore, located at 220 North Arch Street, Baltimore, MD 21212.

The funding would be used for purchasing a 300kV Cryogenic Electron Microscope (Cryo-EM). The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this world-class research instrumentation would be used to develop industry standards for vaccines and biologics, and to develop quality control metrics for vaccines. The instrument would immediately benefit therapeutic and vaccine development and manufacturing.

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.

Very Truly Yours,

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