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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
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Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

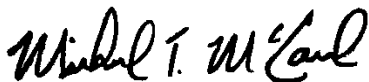
I am requesting funding for Counter-UAS Research and Field Testing (CRAFT) in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Texas A&M University System, located at 300 Tarrow Street, College Station, Texas, 77840, United States.

The purpose of this funding is to expand counter-unmanned aerial systems research and field testing capabilities at the George H.W. Bush Combat Development Complex in Bryan, Texas, to enable integrated, real-world evaluation of systems that detect, track, and defeat unmanned aerial threats in the national airspace. This is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars because it fills a critical gap between controlled military testing and real-world operational validation, reducing time to field, improving system reliability, and strengthening national security and public safety against rapidly evolving unmanned aerial threats.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purpose authorized by section 20102 of title 51, United States Code.

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

Sincerely,



Michael T. McCaul
Member of Congress