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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

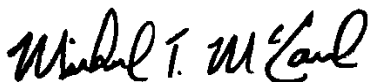
I am requesting funding for Tackling Antimicrobial Resistance in Food Facilities research in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Texas A&M AgriLife Research, located at 600 Kimbrough Blvd Suite 512, College Station, Texas, 77843.

The funding would be used to address the escalating threat of antimicrobial resistance by combining novel technologies for screening, prediction, and interventions, particularly focusing on areas like beef and dairy production and processing where biofilms create environments conducive to antibiotic resistance. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds this project will create better tools to predict and prevent the spread of antibiotic resistance by researching the impact of biofilms (buildup of microorganisms) in manufacturing and processing systems and machinery and with these tools lead to strengthening production safety systems regulated by several federal agencies supported by taxpayer funds thus ensuring the continued protection of consumers.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposed authorized by 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,



Michael T. McCaul
Member of Congress