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

May 10, 2024

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the California State University, Long Beach Center for a Sustainable Future (CSF) in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the California State University Long Beach, Research Foundation (CSULB Research Foundation), located at 6300 East State University Drive, Long Beach CA 90815.

This project will fund the construction of recreational and educational facilities on the campus of California State University, Long Beach (CSULB), including garden facilities. These facilities will house the Center for a Sustainable Future, a flexible public space and a hub of activity that will host academic and other activities focused on sustainable education. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds as it will facilitate the educational mission of CSULB and will benefit the public. While the primary users will be college students, the CSF will also be a destination for visiting K-12 students, providing them with early exposure to potential educational and career opportunities.

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 5305(a)(5).

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

Sincerely,

Robert Garcia Member of Congress