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The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
House Appropriations Committee  
H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Appropriations Committee  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the AI-Enabled Robotics Training Center in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the San Diego State University Research Foundation, located at 5250 Campanile Drive, San Diego, CA 92182. The funding would be used to create an artificial intelligence (AI) programming training center to democratize the use of AI models. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will transform the approach to developing trustworthy AI and integrate fundamental societal values in AI-enabled robotics. This application of AI technology is an ambitious innovation that could result in companion and collaborative robots that help us be more productive in any task requiring social intelligence.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized 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.

Sincerely,

Sara Jacobs  
Member of Congress