## Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-0303

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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Arizona State University Center for Heat Preparedness in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Skysong Innovations, LLC, located at 1475 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 200 Scottsdale, AZ 85257. The funding would be used establish a Center for Heat Preparedness to develop scientific standards, policy frameworks, and practical solutions to mitigate the growing risks of extreme heat, including threats to public health, economic stability, transportation systems, and power grids. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds as it directly enhances resilience, protects public health, and strengthens infrastructure in Arizona, a region significantly affected by extreme heat. By building local capacity and promoting sustainable preparedness strategies, the Center will help Arizona communities effectively respond to and mitigate the impacts of extreme heat events, reducing economic vulnerability and improving public safety.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes 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,

Yassamin Ansari

Member of Congress