

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Enhancing Nursing Education with Advanced Simulation and Skills Equipment and Technology in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is McDaniel College, located at 200 Memorial Avenue, Westminster, Maryland 21157.

The funding would be used to equip McDaniel's new nursing education facility with advanced medical equipment and technology for simulation labs, skills labs and active learning classrooms.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the equipment and technology for the labs and classrooms will enhance hands-on nursing training and increase the number of bachelor's prepared nurses entering today's technologically advanced health care workforce. The hands-on learning provided by this equipment and technology has proven to prepare nurses far better than a traditional classroom. This is especially critical in rural Carroll County as they are facing health worker shortages.

This project has a federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Johnny Olszewski

Member of Congress