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House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

March 31, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Interstellar Dreams Space Center project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is George Mason University, located at 4400 University Dr, Fairfax, VA 22030.

The funding is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will address structural inequities via outreach targeting underserved regional communities, including Manassas, Loudoun, and Prince William counties, and underrepresented K-12 students to participate in summer camps and cohort experiences to ensure STEM readiness.

This project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 20102 of title 51, United States Code.

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

Sincerely,

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Jennifer Wexton Member of Congress