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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Abilene Airport Development Access Road in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Abilene/Abilene Regional Airport, located at 2933 Airport Blvd, Ste 200, Abilene, TX, 79602.

The funding would be used to create the improved access to the airport terminal and open access to airport property tracts that can be developed to bring good jobs to the City and surrounding area within the TX-19. Additionally, by targeting B-21 sub-contractors that will support the operational B-21, it could enhance the security of Dyess AFB's B-21 mission in future Base Realignment efforts.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this project is a Public Private Partnership. It has already received a \$600,000 commitment in a lease with a new airport tenant that plans to build in the development area. The tenant needs the road for the public to access their business. Additionally, the City of Abilene is prepared to commit an additional \$150,000 toward design of the road as well as staff time to oversee this project.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 49 USC 47100.

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

Sincerely,



Jodey C. Arrington
Member of Congress