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May 1, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Appropriations Committee
H-307 – The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
H-307 – The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Mississippi State University- Enhancing Sweet Potato Value through Post Harvest Technology as a community project funding request. The intended recipient is Mississippi State University, located at P.O. Box 9800, Mississippi State, MS 39762 with the project being located at 8320 Hwy 15 S, Pontotoc, MS 38863. This is a good use of taxpayer funds because sweet potato production is a thriving specialty crop industry in Mississippi, and the state is ranked as number two for national production.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Trent Kelly'.

Trent Kelly
Member of Congress