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The Hon. Kay Granger  
Chairwoman  
House Committee on Appropriations  
H-307, the Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Hon. Rosa L. DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the University of Wisconsin-Madison Research Infrastructure Improvements Project in Fiscal Year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is:

University of Wisconsin-Madison  
163 Bascom Hall  
500 Lincoln Drive  
Madison, WI 53706

This project is an appropriate use of federal funds because it would support significant improvements to outdated research facilities and infrastructure utilized by both USDA Ag Research Service and University researchers. The proposed upgrades to the research infrastructure will enable ARS researchers and university partners co-located in the facilities to conduct new and improved research to solve grower problems and maintain US competitiveness for specialty crops, other agronomic and horticultural crops, dairy and livestock, and also improve human health outcomes.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 7 U.S. Code section 2250.

I certify neither I nor my immediate family, have any financial interest in this Community Project Funding request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mark Pocan", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mark Pocan  
Member of Congress