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March 19, 2026

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  
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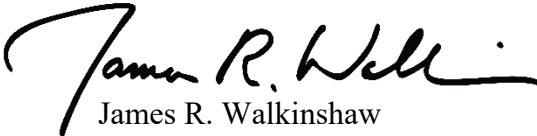
Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Center for the Virginia Synthetic Data Hub for Public Services in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is George Mason University, located at 4441 George Mason Boulevard, Fairfax, VA, 22030. The funding would be used to establish a national research hub focused on synthetic data, artificially generated yet realistic information that mimics actual datasets while containing no real personal details that supports, that supports workflows that allow school districts, community-serving organizations, and critical-infrastructure partners to evaluate programs, plan services, and test systems. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it creates a reusable public-serving capability rather than a one-time fix.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 272 of title 15, United States Code.

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

Sincerely,

  
James R. Walkinshaw  
Member of Congress