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March 13, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole, Chairman
The Honorable Rosa DeLauro, Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307
U.S. Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I request \$2,164,955 million in funding for the College of Western Idaho's River District Project. The intended recipient is College of Western Idaho, located at 3150 W Main Street, Boise, Idaho, 83702. The River District development in Boise, Idaho will establish a state-of-the-art academic center to expand its Computer Science and Information Technology programs. This funding will help the College of Western Idaho purchase equipment at the center and provide students with modern labs, specialized instructional spaces, and advanced network infrastructure. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds as it will support hands-on training and applied research in cybersecurity, cloud computing, and systems integration, and other high-demand sectors.

This project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for the 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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mike Simpson" followed by "M.C." in smaller letters.

Mike Simpson
Member of Congress