The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Chair  
House Appropriations Committee  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
House Appropriations Committee  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Seizing Opportunities Academic Readiness (SOAR) Cyber Explorers Pilot Program in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is Marquette University, located at 1250 W. Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53233.

The funding would be used to support programs to help develop an interest in high-school and middle school first-generation youth for a career in technology and specifically cybersecurity. The program will help provide additional college readiness services, including STEM pipeline services with an emphasis on cybersecurity, to middle and high school students. The project would involve a number of local schools including the Dr. Howard Fuller Collegiate Academy, the Milwaukee Academy of Science, the Milwaukee Cyber School, the Milwaukee School of Arts, Milwaukee Washington High School and Riverside University High School.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Gwen Moore  
Member of Congress