

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

April 29, 2021

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capital
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the Center for Agricultural Animal Genetic Engineering and Health in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the University of Missouri – Columbia College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources and is located at 2-64 Agriculture Building, Columbia, MO 65201.

The funding would be used to pay for a facility and outfitting of a new ARS Research Lab for animal genetic testing at the University of Missouri that would benefit the livestock industry across the entire country.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars because it will meet the need of producing genetic variant animals for research and act as a hub for genetic research and activities to improve animal health and yields.

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

Sincerely,



Blaine Luetkemeyer
Member of Congress