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The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
House Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa L DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the **University of California, Riverside Fire Emissions Laboratory** project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the **University of California, Riverside located at 900 University Avenue, Riverside, California 92521**. The funding would be used to support acquisition and installation of advanced instrumentation required to measure trace atmospheric pollutants and emissions generated during controlled fire simulation experiments. This is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will provide the foundation for improved wildfire mitigation and air quality management.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 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 black ink that reads "Mark Takano".

MARK TAKANO  
Member of Congress