



RANDY WEBER
MEMBER OF CONGRESS
FOURTEENTH DISTRICT, TEXAS

April 27, 2022

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I request funding for the Commercial Driver Education Center in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is for the Lamar State College Port Arthur (LSPCA), located 1500 Procter Street, Port Arthur, Texas 77640.

The funding would be used for finalizing the LSCPA Commercial Driver Education Center. Commercial transportation continues to play an essential role in maintaining the nation's supply chain of vital goods including food, fuel, healthcare supplies and medication. The COVID-19 pandemic further highlighted the industry's importance. The project addresses critical need for a highly skilled workforce by providing a state-of-the-art training facility. Formed in 2015 with one leased vehicle, LSCPA's program has grown to be the largest provider of commercial driver training in southeast Texas, and the only Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) third party testing center. The project will allow this program to continue to meet the needs of the burgeoning transportation industry in the nation and southeast, which is a critical component in the construction of two major LNG export facilities and in the expansion of a third. The project will significantly increase capacity for these LNG project and beneficial future economic development projects.

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

Sincerely,

RANDY K. WEBER
Member of Congress