

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

March 19th, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Appropriations Committee
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Digital Imaging Core at OSU College of Veterinary Medicine project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive the funding for this project is Oklahoma State University, located at 203B Whitehurst Hall, Stillwater, OK 74078. The funding would be used for equipment purchases for advanced imaging technology, advanced computational biology, and AI-driven diagnostics inside the College of Veterinary Medicine. The funding is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the College of Veterinary Medicine, through its land grant mission, serves the entire animal population in the state of Oklahoma. Future development of the Oklahoma State University Veterinary Teaching Hospital will need the strong foundation of a fully capable diagnostic imaging service. The facility will be required to meet the needs of companion animals, exotic species, zoo and wildlife species, and farm and ranch animals.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for 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,



Frank D. Lucas
Member of Congress