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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Chair  
U.S. House Committee on Appropriations,  
H-307, U.S. Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
U.S. House Committee on Appropriations  
H-307, U.S. Capitol  
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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for Closing the Opportunity Gap – Virtually. The entity to receive funding for this project is Norwalk La-Mirada Unified School District located at 12820 Pioneer Blvd.; Norwalk, CA; 90650. This project will be located at 12820 Pioneer Blvd.; Norwalk, CA; 90650.

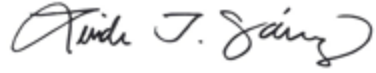
Norwalk-La Mirada Unified School District (NLMUSD) currently enrolls 8,860 students from grades 6-12 who participate in several programs, activities, and curricular coursework. One of the cornerstones of NLMUSD is the Career Technical Education (CTE) pathways and Dual Enrollment access to college-based curriculum for college credit. Providing access to these programs during the school day has been made possible with the 2020 Learning Initiative, where every student from grades TK-12, receives a technology tool (iPad or Chromebook) to collaborate with peers, engage in instruction, and participate in school. Unfortunately, programs like the CTE pathways and Dual Enrollment courses require specialized computer systems, which are not always compatible with the device students receive for core instruction. As a result, students must utilize technology provided in classroom carts or lab spaces dedicated to specific users and applications.

With these funds, NLMUSD will be able to build a virtual learning environment for all students participating in CTE pathways, Dual Enrollment or other content areas to engage in with the devices that they receive for core instruction. Through the power of virtualization and partnering with software and hardware providers, NLMUSD can provide students and instructors with remote access to educational materials on demand.

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

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Linda T. Sánchez". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Linda" and last name "Sánchez" clearly legible.

Linda T. Sánchez  
Member of Congress