April 14th, 2022

The Honorable Adam Smith  The Honorable Mike Rogers
Chairman Ranking Member
Committee on Armed Services Committee on Armed Services
U.S. House of Representatives U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515 Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Smith and Ranking Member Rogers:

I am requesting funding for New Space NM at Kirtland Airforce Base in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is Kirtland Airforce Base, located at 2050 Wyoming Blvd. SE, B20684, Kirtland AFB, NM 87117.

The funding would be used for to build a facility that would allow developers of small satellites to test out new concepts and equipment rapidly and at low cost. This would be done in a fully integrated facility capable of conducting thermal vacuum and vibration testing, electronic equipment calibration, software simulation, and component testing and checkout. Currently, much of this testing is done at separate facilities throughout the country adding time, cost, and complexity to the testing.

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

Sincerely,

Melanie A. Stansbury
Member of Congress