

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

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Hon. John Culberson, Chairman
Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science,
and Related Agencies
House Committee on Appropriations
H-305, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Hon. José Serrano, Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science,
and Related Agencies
House Committee on Appropriations
1016 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Culberson and Ranking Member Serrano,

As you work to develop the Fiscal Year 2019 Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, we write to respectfully request robust funding for the National Science Foundation's Computer and Information Science and Engineering (CISE) program.

CISE supports computer and information science and engineering research, which informs ideas for practical applications of information technology. Through this research, scientists have been able to develop innovative solutions in energy, advanced manufacturing, national security, healthcare, and personal communications. Current CISE projects include research on using technology to improve pre-K students' understanding of science, developing unmanned aerial systems technology to help reduce wildfires, and creating new clinical modeling techniques to use electronic health records to personalize patient care.

NSF's CISE also provides advanced cyberinfrastructure for all areas of science and engineering, and contributes to the education and training of computer and computational engineers - ensuring our future generations are equipped with the skills necessary for success in an increasingly competitive global market. In order to lead the world in innovation, we must continue to invest in computer science and IT programs like CISE.

We appreciate your consideration of this request.

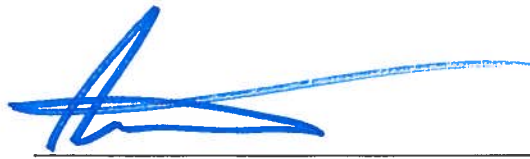
Sincerely,



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