



February 25, 2019

The Honorable Mitch McConnell
Senate Republican Leader
317 Russell Senate Office Building Washington,
D.C. 20510

The Honorable Charles Schumer
Senate Democratic Leader
322 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House
1236 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Kevin McCarthy
Republican Leader
2468 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressional Leaders:

On behalf of the [Coalition for National Science Funding \(CNSF\)](#) – a broad-based group of professional organizations, universities, businesses, and scientific societies – we write to express our appreciation for passage and enactment of H.J.Res. 31, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2019. Through this bill, Congress has provided the National Science Foundation (NSF) with \$8.075 billion in funding for fiscal year 2019, an amount which will allow for critical federal investments in scientific and educational research as well as support the development of the next generation science, technology engineering, and mathematics workforce.

As a pillar of America’s scientific research enterprise, NSF-funded research has advanced our knowledge and understanding of the world around us and promoted the progress of science across the academic disciplines. NSF has helped propel and keep the U.S. at the forefront of science, technology, and innovative ideas and concepts. Additionally, NSF plays an essential role in preparing a STEM-capable workforce through funding K-12 STEM education programs as well as programs for undergraduate and graduate students.

Again, thank you for passing the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2019. We look forward to working with you on the fiscal year 2020 budget and appropriations process and to further advancing our vital common goals.

Sincerely,

Coalition for National Science Funding (CNSF)

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American Anthropological
Association

American Association for
Dental Research
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Advancement of Science
American Association of
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Society
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	Crop Science Society of America	National Ground Water Association
	Duke University	National Postdoctoral Association
	Eastman	National Science Teachers Association

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West Virginia University
Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution

Cc: Senator Richard Shelby, Senator Patrick Leahy, Representative Nita Lowey, and Representative Kay Granger

Cc: House and Senate Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies Appropriations Subcommittees