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The Honorable Henry Bonilla
Chairman, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration,
and Related Agencies Appropriations
2362-A Rayburn Building
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The Honorable Marcy Kaptur
Ranking Member, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug
Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations
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Dear Chairman Bonilla and Ranking Member Kaptur,

I am writing to request your support for a children's nutrition research project in the FY2005
Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies
Appropriations bill.

My only request is obtaining \$841,000 for the Children's Nutrition Research Center at the
Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, Texas. Funding for this project will continue the
research for utilizing genotyping in order to identify genetic variations within children that are
predisposed to developing obesity at an accelerated rate. Childhood obesity is currently a
leading threat to the health of future generations of Americans and it is imperative to understand
the genetic, biochemical, and behavioral origins of childhood obesity in order to correct this
growing trend.

Thank for you consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Culberson".

John Culberson
Member of Congress

Thank you!