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President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
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Dear Mr. President,

I am pleased to have the opportunity to write this letter to you in order to address this critical need for our country and for our planet. The acceleration of the creation, development, and adoption of technology in our society is mind-boggling to say the least. By virtue of the emphasis that you have put upon the importance of cultivating the pipeline of STEM graduates, you clearly understand the significance this has on our place in the world.

At Alabama A&M, we have a number of significant areas of emphasis in our undergraduate and graduate education in the STEM fields. Most importantly, however, we live at the intersection of two very important junctions: STEM education and workforce diversity. Alabama A&M is among the national leaders in (a) the production of African-American engineering graduates, (b) the production of *all* female graduates in engineering by percentage, and (c) the production of African-American Ph.Ds. in Physics (*according to ASEE and the American Physical Society*).

We are responsible for life-transformation at a foundational level. This is part of the additional imperative for a Historically Black College and University. It is also an imperative for the nation.

Sincerely,

Dr. Chance M. Glenn, Sr.
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