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Coalition for National Science Funding Appreciates the Senate Appropriations Committee for its Support for Scientific Research

The [Coalition for National Science Funding (CNSF)](#) – a broad-based group of professional organizations, universities, businesses, and scientific societies that advocates for sustained, robust federal support for science – issued the following statement on S. 3072, the FY19 Senate Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill.

The Coalition for National Science Funding (CNSF) appreciates the Senate Appropriations Committee for its unwavering commitment to federally-funded scientific research. We recognize and appreciate the Committee-proposed funding level of $8.068 billion for the National Science Foundation (NSF) for FY19. After years of funding levels that have not kept pace with inflation, this proposed 3.9 percent increase is a step forward to effectively support an agency that is vital to our economy, national security, and global competitiveness.

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. The Committee-proposed funding level of $915 million for the Education and Human Resources Directorate is a welcome increase to fund these critical agency activities.

As the FY19 appropriations process moves forward, CNSF stands ready to work with the entire Senate to achieve robust and sustained funding for NSF. **We look forward to reaching $8.45 billion funding level for NSF in FY19.**

Sincerely,
Coalition for National Science Funding (CNSF)

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