Congress of the United States

H.S. House of Representatives Committee on Small Business 2361 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515-6315

NOTICE OF HYBRID HEARING May 13, 2021 11:00 A.M., Zoom/ 2360 Rayburn House Office Building

TO: Members, Committee on Small Business

FROM: Nydia Velázquez, Chairwoman

DATE: Thursday, May 6, 2021

The Committee on Small Business will hold a hybrid hearing titled: "Overview of the Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer Programs." The hearing is scheduled to begin at 11:00 A.M. on Thursday, May 13, 2021 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building. Participating members can also join remotely via Zoom.

Federally funded research and development (R&D) has produced innumerable innovations and discoveries, leading to new companies and entire industries that have made America a global leader in science and technology fields. While small businesses are a major driver of American innovation, commercialization, and overall economic growth, they oftentimes struggle to obtain crucial early financing. The Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) programs reduce the risks associated with early stage technology and stimulate commercialization of federal R&D innovations. The hearing will give Members the opportunity to learn more about "America's Seed Fund" programs and their impact on pioneering small business.

A staff briefing will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Monday, May 10, 2021 through Zoom.

If you or your staff have questions, please contact Delia Barr, Professional Staff Member for the Committee.