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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Citrus Sheriff Enhanced Radio Interoperability project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Citrus County Sheriff's Office, located at 1 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450. The funding would be used to facilitate the deployment of critically needed advanced technology, enhanced security, and intuitive user interface. Specifically, the requested amount would be used to purchase emergency radio equipment, including mobile and portable radios to replace current radio equipment, a significant portion of which is approaching the end of its operational life. This project is a mission essential, good use of taxpayer funds because this equipment has the capability of facilitating seamless enhanced interoperability with other agencies and first responders.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in section 1701(b)(8) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968(34 U.S.C. section 10381(b)(8)).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Member of Congress