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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Committee on Appropriations H-307, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Washington Parish Government for the Washington Parish 9-1-1 Communications Tower, Equipment, and Building Project in Fiscal Year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Washington Parish Government, located at 909 Pearl Street, Franklinton, LA 70438.

The funding requested would be used to construct a new emergency communications tower which will replace a 50-year-old existing tower that has been deemed unrepairable. The project also seeks to construct a building associated with the tower which houses critical 9-1-1 data and telephone equipment used by emergency services and law enforcement. It is important to note there are no existing tower facilities in this area that would be adequate to meet the required 9-1-1 communications needs. This project is a good use of taxpayer funding since it improves community safety and enhances important communication needs for a rural Parish.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

I request you give this project every consideration, consistent with all rules and regulations. Thank you for your attention to this request. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

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