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May 2, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman 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 Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Regional Law Enforcement Equipment Modernization Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Red River Delta Law Enforcement Planning Council, Inc., located at 615 Main Street, Pineville, LA 71360.

The funding would be used to purchase a variety of law enforcement equipment, technology, and vehicles. Equipment would be purchased for the Sheriff's Offices in the Planning District: Catahoula, Concordia, Grant, LaSalle, Rapides, and Vernon Parishes and the Police Departments for the Cities of Alexandria, Leesville, Pineville, Vernon, and Vidalia.

This project is a good use of taxpayer funding because it will ensure law enforcement has access to reliable and safe equipment so they can maintain the highest standard to meet the expectations and daily calls of service within rural communities.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

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,

Julia Letlow, Ph.D.

MEMBER OF CONGRESS

Letter