



Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Vermilion Parish Law Enforcement Technology & Equipment Upgrade project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Vermilion Parish Sheriff's Office, located at 101 S. State Street, Abbeville, LA 70510. The funding would be used to deploy a comprehensive upgrade of law enforcement technology and equipment across Vermilion Parish. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it directly enhances public safety for the 57,000 residents of Vermilion Parish and the traveling public passing through this major corridor in South Louisiana.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 1701(b)(9) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10381(b)(9)).

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

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Clay Higgins".

Clay Higgins
Member of Congress