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House of Representatives
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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
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Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Emergency Operations Center Expansion project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, located at 101 Government Street, Gray, LA 70359. The funding would be used to support the construction necessary to expand and enhance the Terrebonne Parish Joseph L. Waitz Emergency Operations Center for managing all emergency activities parish-wide. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it directly strengthens Louisiana's ability to protect lives, property, and critical infrastructure during disasters.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 614 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5196c), as amended by section 202 of the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (9/11 Act).

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