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The Honorable Tom Cole Chair Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the North Carolina Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Equipment Project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation, located at 3320 Garner Road, Raleigh, NC 27610. The funding would be used to purchase technology used in Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM) investigations by the Task Force.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will equip the North Carolina Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force with the best tools and technology available to investigate crimes against children.

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

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

Very truly yours,

Deborah K. Ross

Member of Congress

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