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The Honorable Kay Granger
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
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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Town of Morrisville Body-Worn and In-Car Camera Systems Upgrade project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Town of Morrisville located at 100 Town Hall Drive, NC 27560. The funding would be used to expand the Morrisville Police Department's (MPD) camera program systems by 17 bundled units, upgrade its current stock of body-worn and in-car camera systems, and transition to a cloud-based video storage solution. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because these video systems will provide valuable evidence and insight into MPD's use-of-force (UoF) events and can be immediately incorporated into MPD's existing UoF and community complaint review process, aiding in exonerating officers who have conducted themselves properly, as well as provide evidence of misconduct if it occurs. These systems will support public safety and quality of life in Morrisville and beyond. The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in the Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) program, section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

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