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House of Representatives
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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 Mass Gathering Mobile Observation and Radiological Monitoring Tower Project in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Raleigh Police Department, located at 6716 Six Forks Road, Raleigh, NC 27615. The funding would be used to purchase a mass gathering mobile observation and radiological monitoring tower for the Department.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the tower will allow the Raleigh Police Department to improve situational awareness, threat detection, crowd management, and rapid response during large events and critical incidents. It strengthens proactive policing, emergency preparedness, and interagency coordination, directly advancing federal priorities for public safety, crime prevention, and emergency management.

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