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

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**HOUSE PERMANENT SELECT COMMITTEE  
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The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
House Appropriations Committee  
H-307 – The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Appropriations Committee  
H-307 – The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Hernando Fire Station Development Project as a community project funding request. The intended recipient is the City of Hernando, located at 475 West Commerce Street, Hernando, MS 38632.

The Hernando Fire Station Development Project is important to ensuring that the City of Hernando can continue to provide reliable and timely emergency services as the community grows. Construction of a new fire station will improve emergency response coverage, help maintain required fire protection standards, and support the department's ability to respond quickly to fires, medical emergencies, and other incidents. By strengthening fire protection infrastructure, the project will help protect lives and property, maintain favorable insurance ratings for residents and businesses, and support continued economic growth and community safety throughout the area.

This project has a federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Trent Kelly'.

Trent Kelly  
Member of Congress

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