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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
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The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
U.S. House of Representatives  
House Appropriations Committee  
H-307 – The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
U.S. House of Representatives  
House Appropriations Committee  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Choctaw County- Fire Station/ EMS Building Construction project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Choctaw County, MS - Board of Supervisors, located at P. O. Box 250 - 22 East Quinn Street, Ackerman, MS 39735

This project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because Choctaw County needs a combined fire station/EMS services building to serve the specialized needs of numerous critical regional electric power plants and associated facilities. In addition, locating the new Fire Station EMS building at the County's Ecoplex would provide a centrally located building to allow the County to transition from numerous volunteer fire departments to a full-time fire department. Furthermore, the building would be designed and built to standards to serve as a Community Safe Room for private employees at the Ecoplex and nearby residents during severe weather events. This Fire Station/EMS Building would substantially lower homeowners' insurance rates.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for 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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