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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman 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 H-307 – The Capitol Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Monroe County, MS - Monroe County Sheriff's Office: Enhanced Technology for Mobile Special Operations and Criminal Investigations in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Monroe County Sheriff's Office, located at 700 North Meridian St, Aberdeen MS 39730.

This is a good use of taxpayer funds due to the public safety nexus. The Monroe County Sheriff's Office presently does not have the equipment, technology or resources necessary to keep up with today's criminal technological advances. The biggest positive impact the Mobile LPR Investigative Units would provide for our deputies would be the ability to proactively and automatically check hundreds of vehicles while conducting their normal patrol duties, as well as assist investigations with real time information concerning potential suspect vehicles in and around a particular crime scene. Overall, this is a good use of taxpayer funds because this equipment will help keep officers on the street instead of in the office.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 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.

Sincerely,

Trent Kelly Member of Congress

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