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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 the Tishomingo County, MS - Sheriff's Office Transportation & Technology Enhancement project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Tishomingo County Sheriff's Office, located at 1208 Bettydale Drive, Iuka, MS 38852.

This project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because firstly, it prioritizes the safety of our law enforcement officers, ensuring they have reliable transportation and modern equipment to effectively serve and protect our community. Secondly, it improves operational efficiency by reducing maintenance costs associated with outdated vehicles, ultimately saving taxpayer dollars in the long run. Lastly, it enhances public trust and confidence in law enforcement through increased transparency and accountability provided by modern dash cameras and vehicle computer systems. Overall, this investment directly benefits both officers and taxpayers alike, making it a prudent allocation of funds.

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

Sincerely, Trent Kelly Member of Congre SS