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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Middlesex County Virginia Regional Interoperability Upgrade in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Middlesex County Sheriff's Office, located at 2788 General Puller Hwy, Saluda, VA 23149.

The funding would be used to upgrade the Middlesex County Sheriff's Office radio communications system by replacing single-band 700 MHz radios with multi-band portable and mobile radios, upgrading radio tower sites to support P25 trunking technology, and improving microwave radio tower infrastructure to enable integration with a regional communications network.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because integrating Middlesex County into the existing regional system will ensure seamless interoperability among federal, state, and local first responders across multiple Northern Neck and Middle Peninsula jurisdictions, improving coordination and response during emergencies. The project will enhance public and officer safety while also reducing long-term costs.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 1701(b)(9) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10381(b)(9)).

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert J. Wittman". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Robert J. Wittman
Member of Congress