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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Appropriations Committee H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Public Safety Training Center (located at 18350 Public Safety Place, Hagerstown, MD 21740) project in the Fiscal Year 2024 Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration & Related Agencies Appropriations Bill. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Washington County Division of Emergency Services, located at 16232 Elliott Parkway, Williamsport, MD 21795.

If awarded, this funding would be used to continue expansion of the facility to allow more hands-on training. Specifically, the funding would build a High Bay Storage/Training Building (for an indoor firefighter training maze, law enforcement mock-up apartment props, forcible entry props/confined space training, vertical rescue training tubes & storage), and a Pavilion Bathroom/Shower Complex w/ Outside Classroom (outdoor teaching pavilion for sheltered review of activities, bathrooms/shower facilities for decontamination of firefighters, storage, & cleaning areas.) This is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this funding will be used to help train first responders in Washington County & other rural precincts.

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,

David Trone

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## Member of Congress