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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman 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 Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Justice Jobs of Maryland Program and Services Expansion project in the Fiscal Year 2025 Commerce, Justice & Science, & Related Agencies Appropriations Bill. The entity to receive funding for this project is Justice Jobs of Maryland, located at 22 South Market Street, Suite 210, Frederick, MD 21701.

If awarded, this funding would be used to expand Justice Jobs of Maryland's programmatic services to returning citizens and those with Substance Use Disorder, including workforce development to get and keep a job, mental health counseling, SUD counseling and assistance (especially to curb the Opioid Epidemic), and more. Justice Jobs's programs support the goal Law Enforcement Agencies of reducing crime, as well as the strain on the criminal justice system, by supporting programming for returning citizens that has been proven to reduce recidivism.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by the Office of Justice Programs' mission and aligned with one or more of the purposes described in the Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) program, section 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,

David Trone

Member of Congress