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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
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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 of Appropriation
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the **Seminole State College of Florida Criminal Justice Simulator** in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is **Seminole State College of Florida**, located at 100 Weldon Boulevard, Sanford, FL, 32773.

The funding will be used entirely for the enhancement of the College's Criminal Justice training programs by purchasing a state-of-the-art 300-degree law enforcement situational training system that provides the highest standard of law enforcement training. With five screens and courseware, it offers an immersive experience using real-life scenarios simulating decision-making needed in the field, with firearms simulations for training in judgmental use of force. Serving the citizens of FL-7, these programs produce the highly skilled and qualified graduates to become law enforcement officers and corrections officers within this district. Because most of the College's students have ties to this region, many of them desire to remain in and serve Central Florida communities.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will not only contribute to more highly trained law enforcement officers to meet the growing demand in FL-7, the state, and the nation, which is of benefit to all citizens, but these well-paying positions will help to elevate family income and strengthen local economies.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cory Mills".

Cory Mills
Member of Congress