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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations H-307, 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 the Seminole County Sheriff's Vehicular Mobile Radio Upgrade project in the fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Seminole County Government, located at 1101 East 1st Street, Sanford, FL 32771.

This funding would provide to replace and upgrade 510 vehicular mobile radios utilized by the Seminole County Sheriff's Office. These radios are essential for the Sheriff's Office to provide critical law enforcement services throughout the County, as well as for coordinating with both local and regional fire rescue, emergency management, and emergency medical services.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds through investment in technologies that provide the Sheriff's Office with secure, modern, and dependable communication tools. These new radios offer enhanced functionality, durability, and interoperability, including Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, and SmartConnect integration, giving deputies more ways to stay connected. Furthermore, the upgraded radios incorporate multiple levels of protection to encrypt and secure voice and data communication against criminals who endeavor to eavesdrop.

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

Cory Mills

Member of Congress