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May 1, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$1,000,000 for the Mobile Command Center project in Fiscal Year 2026 (FY26). The entity to receive funding for this project is the Durham County Office of the Sheriff, located at 510 South Dillard Street, Durham, N.C. 27701. The funding will be used to replace its 23-year-old mobile Command Post—an essential tool for managing major emergencies.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this vehicle is critical for managing major incidents—such as natural disasters, active shooters, and bomb threats—by providing a mobile hub for rapid, coordinated, and sustained command. As a regional leader in North Carolina's Domestic Preparedness Region 4, DCSO responds to around 20 major incidents annually and supports neighboring rural counties that lack the resources for such equipment.

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



Valerie P. Foushee
MEMBER OF CONGRESS