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The Honorable Tom Cole Chair House Committee on Appropriations 2207 Rayburn House Office Building U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 2413 Rayburn House Office Building U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Digital Forensics Unit project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Charles County Sheriff's Office located at 6855 Crain Highway, La Plata, MD 20646. This funding will be used to upgrade their Digital Forensics Unit with equipment to assist and expedite the processing of digital evidence. This is a good use of taxpayer funds because there is currently a backlog that this request will provide an efficient service to the public by being able to extract and analyze information quicker to increase safety in the county.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely yours,

STENY H. HOYER