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May 10, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Appropriations Committee H-307 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 San Bernardino Police Department's Mobile Crime Prevention Program in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of San Bernardino, located at 290 North D Street, San Bernardino, CA 92401.

The funding would be used to purchase an unmarked mobile surveillance van, unmarked vehicles outfitted with surveillance equipment, surveillance cameras that can be relocated as needed and license plate readers. The City will install additional security cameras in downtown San Bernardino and high crime locations to prevent, identify and assist with investigations and prosecutions of criminal activity.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will invest in one of the most underserved communities in San Bernardino County where public safety and law enforcement services are consistently challenged. This project will act as a deterrence to criminal activity and allow the areas to flourish by enhancing the community's quality of life, attracting residents and businesses, and improving the overall economy.

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,

Pete Aguilar Member of Congress