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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 Capitol Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I respectfully request your support for capital needs funding for the City of Fort Pierce Police Department as part of the Fiscal Year 2026 Community Project Funding process.

The funded entity is the City of Fort Pierce, located at 100 North U.S. 1, Fort Pierce, FL 34950. The city is committed to enhancing public safety, supporting law enforcement operations, and ensuring that officers and detectives may carry out their duties effectively and efficiently.

Although the overall crime rate in Fort Pierce has declined, efforts to combat gun and gang violence continue. To sustain this progress, continued investment in modern equipment and technology remains critical. The proposed funding will address capital needs within the Police Department, particularly in the Crime Suppression Unit and Criminal Investigations Division.

This funding will be used to purchase equipment and resources including an interview room, surveillance cameras, laptops, computers, monitors, police vehicles, and boat engines for marine patrol. By leveraging both federal and local resources, the city aims to implement sustainable solutions to reduce community violence and enhance public safety. These efforts are essential to supporting the city's ongoing economic growth and increased tourism, both of which depend on a secure and stable environment.

Thank you for your consideration of this important request to support the City of Fort Pierce Police Department's capital needs in furtherance of public safety and community well-being.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized 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 neither I nor any immediate family members have financial interest in this project.
Sincerely,



Brian Mast
Member of Congress