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

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Real-Time Intelligence Center (RTIC) in the St. Lucie County Sheriff's Office in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the St. Lucie County Sheriff's Office, located at 4700 W. Midway Road, Fort Pierce, FL 34981.. The funding would be used to equip a dedicated Real-Time Intelligence Center (RTIC) for deployable technology and integrated systems required to support continuous, real-time situational awareness and coordination—capabilities that are increasingly essential as the complexity, speed, and scale of public safety threats continue to grow throughout St. Lucie County.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because real-time visibility significantly enhances situational awareness, improves response times, and strengthens officer safety by ensuring that responding units receive critical intelligence—such as suspect descriptions, vehicle movement, or prior calls at a location—before arriving on scene. These capabilities allow deputies to make better-informed decisions and achieve safer outcomes for both the public and our personnel..

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 1701(b)(9) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10381(b)(9)).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Brian J. Mast
Member of Congress