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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
H-218, The Capitol
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The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
H-218, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the City of Lorain Public Safety Technology Modernization Initiative in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Lorain County Police Department located at 200 W Erie Avenue, Lorain, OH 44052. The funding would be used for the real-time crime center (RTCC) technology that will serve local and regional public safety needs. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because by utilizing advance analytics and integrating shared data to comprehensively view patterns of crime and ensure that police officers can effectively protect the taxpayers of OH-05.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by because it is for the 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)). Specifically, this project is consistent with the authorization provided for the U.S. Attorney General to, "States, units of local government, Indian tribal governments, other public and private entities, and multi-jurisdictional or regional consortia for the purposes ... to procure equipment, technology, or support systems".

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

Sincerely,



Robert E. Latta
Member of Congress