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Chairwoman Kay Granger  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-307, The Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Ranking Member Rosa DeLauro  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth HOB  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Culpeper Police Department Critical Incident Vehicle project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Culpeper Police Department, located at 740 Old Brandy Road, Culpeper, Virginia, 22701. The funding would be used to purchase a Critical Incident Vehicle to provide a platform for law enforcement to safely conduct operations during critical or emergency situations within the community, while providing real-time intelligence and ensuring the public safety of citizens and visitors. The Critical Incident Vehicle would serve as a base of operations during responses to violent crime and search and rescue missions of children and adults. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would enable law enforcement to respond to potentially dangerous incidents to protect members of the community, while also ensuring the safety of officers. The Critical Incident Vehicle would be used to protect officers and the 21,000 residents of the Town of Culpeper as well as those in the surrounding region when providing mutual aid operations.

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)). Specifically, the project allows a local law enforcement agency to acquire a new equipment technology to assist their activities, as is authorized in section 1701(b)(3) and 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,



Abigail Spanberger  
Member of Congress