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The Honorable Tom Cole

Chairman

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H-305, the Capitol

Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro

Ranking Member

Committee on Appropriations

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro, I am requesting funding for Houston Police Department Domestic Abuse Response Team Patrol Vehicles Initiative in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Houston Police Department, located at 12000 Travis St. Houston, TX 77002.

The funding would be used for the purchase of 8 marked patrol vehicles for the Domestic Abuse Response Team. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds investing in the Domestic Abuse Response Team (DART) is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it directly addresses the safety and well-being of vulnerable individuals in the community. By funding this program, taxpayers are supporting a proactive, coordinated response to domestic violence, which can reduce long-term costs related to law enforcement, healthcare, and the criminal justice system.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described 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.

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Sincerely