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**House of Representatives**  
Washington, DC 20515

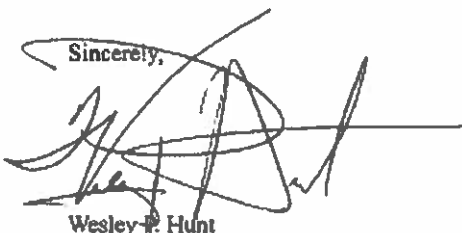
The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-305, the Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro, I am requesting funding for Houston Police Department Grappler and In-Car Camera 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 mission critical equipment to aid in protecting citizens on city wide roadways during pursuits. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates that there are about 400 people killed (suspects, police officers, civilian bystanders) and many more seriously injured as the result of police pursuits every year. The grappler device deploys a nylon net to stop suspects from fleeing from police ending the potential danger of a high speed chase, and the in car cameras will be able to provide additional video recordings with the body worn cameras of any encounters to provide additional evidence thereby augmenting adjudication of those cases.

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

Sincerely,  
  
Wesley P. Hunt