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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  
H-305, The Capitol  
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Oakland Fire Department Fire Engine Acquisition Project in Fiscal Year (FY) 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Oakland, located at 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Oakland, CA.

The funding would be used to purchase a new fire engine to replace an aging, unreliable one.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because a new engine will improve response times, enhance emergency coverage, and support regional mutual aid. The Oakland Fire Department responds to over 75,000 calls annually, but the majority of the fleet is aging and unreliable. This project will save lives, protect property, and ensure consistent service delivery.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

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

Sincerely,

Lateefah Simon  
Member of Congress