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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairwoman House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Rochester Police Department School Safety & Emergency Connectivity Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Rochester, located at 201 4<sup>th</sup> Street SE Rochester, MN 55904.

The funding would be used for bi-directional amplifiers and cellular distributed antenna systems to help improve radio communications in buildings where signals are degraded due to dense construction and other obstacles that attenuate the signal.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will help the Rochester Police Department to communicate more effectively during emergency school incidents and provide better on-scene response during emergencies.

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.

Sincerely,

**Brad Finstad** 

Member of Congress