Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

May 8, 2024

Chairman Tom Cole House Appropriations Committee H-307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 Ranking Member Rosa DeLauro House Appropriations Committee 2313 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Allegheny Township's acquisition of tasers in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Allegheny Township Police Department, located at 3131 Colonial Drive Duncansville, PA 16635. The funding would be used to purchase 12 tasers.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the proposed project would give the police department in Allegheny Township the ability to use non-lethal force when performing their duties to keep residents of the Township safe. This new equipment will give officers a reliable non-lethal tool, helping to keep both officers and civilians safe and protecting officers and civilians from serious injury or death.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in the Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) program, section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

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

Sincerely,

John Joyce, M.D.

Member of Congress