Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

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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 DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for Fame Emergency Medical Services purchase of video laryngoscopy equipment in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Fame Emergency Medical Services, Inc. located at 701 Valley Street Lewistown PA, 17044. The funding would be used to purchase video laryngoscopy devices.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the proposed project would help paramedics serving residents and visitors of Mifflin County Pennsylvania who require airway management and ventilator support in the prehospital setting. Multiple studies have demonstrated a decrease in the time needed for a healthcare provider to successfully secure and maintain a patient airway when using video laryngoscopy. Multiple studies have shown that when a healthcare provider has difficulty securing a patient airway on the first attempt the patient outcome often suffers. Being able to improve airway management in this patient category can reduce adverse patient outcomes associated with management of difficult patient airways and will be a direct benefit to the community's prehospital healthcare.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

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