Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

May 23, 2025

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 the Johnstown Public Safety Center project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Johnstown, located at 401 Main Street, Johnstown, PA 15901. The funding would be used to construct new police and fire facilities.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the proposed project will allow for construction of a new fire and police headquarters to better serve the community and support the health and well-being of first responders. This will significantly increase the capacity of fire, EMS, and police staff to respond to fire and medical emergencies, combat crime, connect citizens to other public resources, tackle the opioid addiction crisis, and ensure the safety of students. It will also aid these departments in both hiring and retention of first responders, which has been an ongoing challenge for this community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by one or more of the following eligible uses of the Community Development Fund (CDF): 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1), 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2), 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(4), and 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(5).

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

Sincerely,

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John Joyce, M.D. Member of Congress