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March 17, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
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H-307, The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Albany Police Department's Implementation of the Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement in the Fiscal Year 2027 Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Albany Police Department, which is located at 210 West Oglethorpe Boulevard, Albany, Georgia 31701.

The funding would be used for staffing and operations; community outreach/violence interruption; Safe Corridors safety improvements (lighting, cameras, environmental design); secure data-sharing; and evaluation to measure results. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it advances the criminal justice system's role in reducing gang activity and the costs associated with violent crimes, thereby aligning directly with the Byrne JAG program's objective to support effective responses to violent crime and improve justice system outcomes.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sanford".

Sanford D. Bishop, Jr.
Member of Congress