

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Smart Street Lighting and Public Safety Initiative project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of New Orleans, located at 1300 Perdido Street, New Orleans, Louisiana 70112. The funding would be used for deploying tamper-proof, solar-backed LED streetlights equipped with environmental monitoring nodes along high-crime and high-injury corridors. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it improves public safety and ensures critical transportation routes remain illuminated for emergency responders during post-hurricane grid failures.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(2) and 5305(a)(4).

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

Sincerely,



Troy A. Carter, Sr.
Member of Congress