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The Honorable Tom Cole
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U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the City of Big Rapids Fire Truck Project in fiscal year 2026. The intended recipient is the City of Big Rapids, located at 226 North Michigan Avenue, Big Rapids, Michigan 49307. The funding would enable the city to purchase a new pumper tanker fire truck, which will improve the safety of the community and effectiveness of the fire suppression efforts of the Big Rapids Fire Department. The city's current engine is well past its expected service life, posing a risk to public safety. Big Rapids Fire Department is the only department with career firefighters in the area, and provides coverage to the surrounding area as well.

This project has a federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a)(2).

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

Thank you for your consideration of this important matter.

Sincerely,



JOHN MOOLENAAR
Member of Congress