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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

As you begin crafting the Fiscal Year 2024 Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, I respectfully request funding for the Eugene OR Police Department Body Worn Camera/In-Car Video project, in the amount of \$1,325,407 within the Committee's State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance – Byrne Justice Grant account as part of the Committee's Community Project Funding effort.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Eugene, located at 100 West 10th Avenue, Suite 400, Eugene, OR 97401. The requested funding would be used for the purchase of a Body Worn Camera (BWC) and In-Car Video (ICV) system for the Eugene Police Department (EPD).

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the BWC and ICV systems assist EPD in increased transparency with community and civic partners and are standard equipment in modern police departments. The current BWC and ICV systems used by EPD have been used for many years and are due for replacement. The systems record interactions between EPD officers and the public, providing evidence and an impartial accounting of events. These systems are a vital component of the local criminal justice system and public safety.

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

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 request.

Sincerely,

Val T. Hoyle

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Member of Congress