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The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Cleveland County Sheriff's Office Real-Time Crime Center and Digital Forensics Investments in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Cleveland County Sheriff's Office, located at 100 Justice Place, Shelby, NC 28150.

The funding would be used to expand the Criminal Investigation Division of the Cleveland County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) to enhance the functioning of the overall criminal justice system through the implementation of a Real-Time Crime Center (RTCC). The RTCC will enhance situational awareness, allow investigators and deputies to access real-time intelligence, and improve coordination during active incidents and complex investigations. The funding would also be used to expand the Digital Forensics Lab. Cleveland County currently ranks sixth in North Carolina in arrests for crimes against children investigations and has 421 registered sex offenders, including 339 of whom are non-incarcerated, creating a significant demand for monitoring, investigative follow-up, and digital forensic analysis.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would strengthen investigative capacity, accelerate digital evidence processing, and improve emergency response across Cleveland County. 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 black ink that reads "Tim Moore". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Tim Moore  
Member of Congress