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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Chairwoman House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth HOB Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting community project funding for the Washington, IL Police Evidence Storage project in the Fiscal Year 2023 Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies legislation.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Washington, Illinois located at 301 Walnut Street, Washington, IL 61571.

The funding would be used to replace a damaged and substandard evidence and seized property storage function, which would provide a safe workplace for employees and law enforcement, as well as maintain a safe environment for the preservation of evidence. The Washington Police Evidence Storage project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will allow the City of Washington Police Department to continue their significant investigation assistance regionally, including on issues related to cybercrimes, crimes against children and violent crime. Additionally, an enhanced evidence storage facility would allow for the city to continue to provide storage and property support for regional law enforcement assistance.

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

Darin LaHood

Member of Congress