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House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-3008

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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairman Committee on Appropriations H-305 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the North Hudson Regional Communications Center Upgrade in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the New Jersey Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness at PO Box 091, Trenton, NJ 08625, which will be administering the grant for North Hudson Regional Fire and Rescue ("NHRFR"). The funding would be used enhance NHRFR's ability to coordinate emergency responses across several communities in my district. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would improve emergency response time and help prevent duplication of public safety agency efforts.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 614 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C 5196c), as amended by section 202 of the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (9/11 Act).

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

Sincerely,

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Robert J. Menendez
Member of Congress