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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chair
U.S. House Committee on Appropriations
H-307, U.S. Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
U.S. House Committee on Appropriations
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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

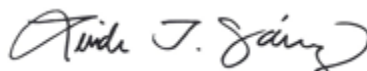
I am requesting funding for the Public Safety Critical Communications Upgrade Project in fiscal year 2023. This project will be located at 1600 W Beverly Blvd; Montebello, CA. 90640. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Montebello.

The City of Montebello's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) facilitates multi-agency and multi-jurisdictional coordination, particularly between local government, the private sector, operational area (OA), state response levels, and appropriate federal agencies in emergency operations. This project is intended to protect the public, first responders, fire, and law enforcement communities as they must be able to communicate effectively. Communication interoperability, issues concerning spectrum availability, and infrastructure have been a consistent challenge. Radio systems currently used by the EOC and public safety agencies are severely crowded, lack interoperability, have less than optimal transmission and reception quality. Montebello's EOC needs to upgrade their radio communications to mitigate these issues. The failure of a radio transmission to get through can mean the difference between life and death.

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

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Linda T. Sánchez
Member of Congress