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March 19, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Springfield Police Department Refurbishment Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Township of Springfield Police Department, located at 100 Mountain Avenue Springfield, NJ 07081.

The funding would be used to complete critical facility improvements necessary to ensure compliance with Department of Corrections standards, modernize essential infrastructure, and improve operational efficiency. These improvements will enhance detainee management, officer safety, and compliance with applicable regulations.

The project will also replace the building's aging and inefficient HVAC system. The current system has reached the end of its useful life and no longer provides reliable climate control for the facility.

Finally, the project includes building modifications to create additional office space. The Department currently faces space limitations that affect administrative operations and the delivery of services to the community.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will modernize critical infrastructure, ensure regulatory compliance, and enhance the Springfield Police Department's ability to serve and protect the community.

This project has a federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom H. Kean, Jr." with a stylized flourish at the end.

Tom Kean, Jr.
Member of Congress