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House of Representatives
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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Committee on Appropriations
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Aurora Fire Rescue Fire Apparatus Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Aurora, located at 15151 E. Alameda Parkway, Aurora, CO, 80012. The funding would be used to secure an additional ladder truck to address critical operational and safety concerns arising from the age of the city's reserve fleet and the continued growth of Aurora. Currently, two ladder trucks in the reserve fleet are over 25 years old, far exceeding their recommended service life and creating increasing challenges with reliability, maintenance costs, and operational readiness. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the City urgently needs a ladder truck to address critical operational and safety concerns arising from the age of the city's reserve fleet and the continued growth of Aurora. A well-equipped and modernized fire department strengthens regional emergency response capabilities by enabling more coordinated and efficient mutual aid between municipalities.

The project has federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,



Jason Crow
Member of Congress