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April 28, 2025

Congressman Jason Crow Colorado's Sixth Congressional District 2170 South Parker Road Suite 280 Aurora, CO 80231

Dear Representative Crow,

On behalf of the Arapahoe County Board of County Commissioners, I am pleased to support the Congressionally Directed Spending request for Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office Radio Replacement. This project will support the purchase of 429 portable radios to improve safety, response time, and interoperability in Arapahoe County, which serves Aurora, Littleton, Centennial, Englewood, and other municipalities, as well as unincorporated Arapahoe County.

These radios provide integral connectivity to our deputies when they are operating in the community. Due to age and other conflicting safety priorities over the years, the current radios used by ACSO are quickly becoming obsolete and unreliable. This threatens to leave our officers in a perilous position should communications be interrupted or out of service. When seconds count in life threatening situations, a deputy's ability to communicate is critical. A dedicated funding source would allow the Sheriff's Office to replace these radios on a staggered schedule, ensuring that no officer is left without a dependable method of communication in the interim.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. The replacement of these radios guarantees that a vital communications tool is available to our public safety personnel as they continue to support our community.

Sincerely,

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