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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for City of Brownsville Fire Department - Training Field Upgrades Phase II: Rehabilitation and Modernization of Infrastructure project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Brownsville, located at 1001 E. Elizabeth Street, Brownsville, Texas, 78520.

The funding would be used to implement Brownsville Fire Department's Phase II of its training field modernization initiative. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds facility because it will modernize the training fields that our firefighters use to provide them with critical, hands-on training space in order to enhance their skills in structural firefighting, hazardous materials response capabilities, and aircraft emergency response. As the City of Brownsville continues to experience growth year-over-year, the demand for highly trained emergency response teams increases, making this investment essential to ensuring we meet national safety standards and improve our ability to protect lives and property in our community.

This project has a federal nexus as it is for the same 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,



Vicente Gonzalez
Member of Congress