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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 the City of Harlingen New Animal Shelter in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is City of Harlingen, located at 118 E Tyler Avenue, Harlingen, Texas 78550.

The funding would be used to construct a new 15,000-square-foot animal shelter facility in Harlingen, Texas. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the city is experiencing severe stray animal overpopulation, which is a nuisance and a vector for diseases. The new shelter will be better equipped to serve the city's current and future needs.

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