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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations H-307, The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Williamston Critical Fire Ladder Truck project in fiscal year 2025.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Town of Williamston, located at:

102 East Main Street Williamston, NC 27892

The existing fire truck for the rural community is more than 30 years old, and has required more than \$100,000 in repairs. The funding for this project would replace the old truck. It is obsolete and not fully functional. Following the closure of the county's only hospital, the Town of Williamston has borne the brunt of the health care and emergency response burden, and the current fire truck is unable to keep up with the demand. A new fire ladder truck is critical for first responders and EMS personnel, many of whom are volunteers to do their jobs.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

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