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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Fire Station 3 Improvement Project in the fiscal year 2026 appropriations. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Orange, located at 300 E Chapman Ave, Orange, CA 92866.

The project will save taxpayer dollars in case of a wildfire emergency. Communities are happier and more effective when public safety is prioritized. The project will improve the operational effectiveness of the Orange Fire Department, providing public benefits to the entire City. The federal government has a long history of supporting fire departments around the Country. Furthermore, the City of Orange has contributed to fire protection services for federal properties and lands, including sending firefighters and apparatus to various parts of the State to fight wildfires that threaten public land, including federal land. Any operational efficiencies and improvements to the Orange Fire Department has federal benefits regionally. Additionally, the conversion of existing structures into more formalized medical supply and disaster storage facilities helps the federal government by preparing for the next disaster to help support the region. The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 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,

Young Kim

Member of Congress