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The Honorable Tom Cole
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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
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March 19, 2026

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Aviation Technology Equipment Upgrades Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is located at 800 S. Victoria Ave., Ventura, CA 93003

The funding would go towards the purchase of various aviation equipment including the purchase of two new aviation cameras, one to be added to Ventura County Sheriff's patrol helicopter and one to their primary search and rescue helicopter. Additionally, this money would allow the Department to upgrade their avionics in one of their aging Bell Huey rescue aircraft as well as pay for the cost of either a replacement hoist or future overhauls of current hoists, which are used in rescues of injured individuals.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will support public safety.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in section 1701(b)(8) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10381(b)(8)).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "S.O. Carbajal".

Salud Carbajal
Member of Congress