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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the City of Santa Barbara: Public Safety Radio Infrastructure in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Santa Barbara located at 735 Anacapa Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101.

The funding would be used for the installation of new infrastructure for a radio communications system. The city is responsible for 11 sites throughout the City that operate under an aging radio communications network system that is over 30 years old and requires parts that have not been supported by the manufacturer for 15 years. This new system will reduce or prevent communication failures resulting from weather events and natural disasters by allowing for a single network management system to be used for all radio subsystems, while providing the capability for each subsystem to operate autonomously without requiring additional equipment.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will ensure that the city has an effective response to emergencies.

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