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May 2, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
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 Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Fire Station Repairs and Expansion project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Bridgeport Charter Township, located at 6740 Dixie Highway, Bridgeport, Michigan 48722. The funding would be used for essential improvements to Bridgeport's existing fire station to ensure it meets the demands of modern emergency response. The project scope includes expanding the facility to accommodate larger, modern fire engines; addressing foundation issues that pose potential structural and liability concerns; and installing proper shower and decontamination facilities. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because these upgrades are critical for the safety and well-being of their firefighters, particularly in responding to fires, biohazards, and chemical emergencies. Ensuring the station is structurally sound and equipped for modern needs is not only a matter of operational readiness but also of protecting the health and safety of those who serve and live in the community.

This project has a federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in 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 have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Kristen McDonald Rivet
Member of Congress