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March 19, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
Washington, D.C. 20515

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the New Ladder Truck Project in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Yadkinville Volunteer Fire Department, located at 729 North State Street, Yadkinville, North Carolina 27055. The funding would be used for the purchase of a new, dependable, and reliable ladder truck to replace the current truck, which will be 36 years old in August 2026 and has experienced extended periods of being out of service. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will support emergency response in a growing community with significant multi-story structures while helping maintain insurance ratings and protect public safety.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for 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 has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Pat Harrigan
Member of Congress