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March 16, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
House Committee on Appropriations  
H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20510

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$3,500,000 in funding for the North Haledon Public Safety Communications Equipment Upgrade Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Borough of North Haledon Police Department located at 103 Overlook Avenue, North Haledon, NJ 07508.

The funding would be used to purchase and install new mobile and portable radios, as well as a simulcast radio dispatch system, for the Borough's Police Department. These upgrades are essential to ensure consistent, reliable, and interoperable communications within the Borough and with surrounding municipalities. North Haledon's existing communications equipment is outdated, inefficient, creating limitations including dead zones across critical response areas, frequent disruptions in dispatch clarity, and the inability to maintain consistent contact. By granting this award, North Haledon will be able to upgrade the outdated equipment that is currently compromising public safety by delaying response times and impacting coordination during incidents needing law enforcement.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it increases public safety and security.

The project complies with the federal nexus, as it is for activities aligned with the purposes of section 1701(b)(9) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10381(b)(9)).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nellie Pou".

Nellie Pou  
Member of Congress