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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515-3103**

May 23, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
House Appropriations Committee  
H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Appropriations Committee  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Jicarilla Apache Nation Public Safety Housing Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Jicarilla Apache Nation, located at 25 Hawks Drive, Dulce, New Mexico 87528. The funding would be used to plan, design and construction for eight to ten duplexes which will house public safety and emergency management personnel to service the Jicarilla Apache Nation and surrounding communities. The Tribe already has the land. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Jicarilla Apache Nation is in need of housing for public safety and emergency service personnel. Due to the rural location of the Jicarilla Apache Nation, it is difficult for the Tribe to attract qualified public safety and emergency personnel in the region. The Jicarilla Apache Nation and the community of Dulce will benefit from having qualified personnel in the areas of public safety and emergency management services.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



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Teresa Leger Fernández  
Member of Congress