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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 **San Juan County Fire and Rescue Ladder Truck** in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is San Juan County located at 100 S. Oliver Dr. Aztec, New Mexico 87410.

The funding would be used for the addition of a new Ladder Truck. This would greatly enhance the department's ability to respond to a wide range of emergencies, including structure fires, technical rescues, and other scenarios where an elevated master stream and/or Ladder Company may be needed. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it invests in life saving public safety apparatus which directly benefits the San Juan County citizens, visitors coming to the area, and provides our valuable first responders with the equipment necessary to perform their work.

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 have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Teresa Leger Fernández Member of Congress