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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
House Appropriations Committee
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
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Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Central and Western Maine Law Enforcement Equipment Modernization project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Maine Department of Public Safety, located at 45 Commerce Drive, Suite 1, Augusta, Maine 04333. The funding would be used to help local law enforcement agencies in Maine's northeastern region make critical upgrades to equipment and technology to ensure the enduring efficacy of local law enforcement.

This project is a good use of taxpayer funding because it will improve public safety officer safety, increase the transparency of law enforcement through technology improvements, and allow our local law enforcement agencies to work together across our vast rural district to reduce crime.

This funding request is consistent with and supportive of the Office of Justice Programs' mission and is aligned with one or more of the purposes described in the Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) program, section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

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

Sincerely,

Jared F. Golden
Member of Congress

