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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the City of Galesburg's modern fleet maintenance facility in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Galesburg located at 55 W. Tompkin St. Galesburg, Illinois, 61401. The funding would be used to construct a modern fleet maintenance facility that will support the maintenance and repair of police, fire, and public works vehicles, as well as heavy equipment essential to municipal operations. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because City of Galesburg's current maintenance facility cannot accommodate large emergency vehicles or heavy equipment, forcing the City to outsource repairs, resulting in higher costs and extended equipment downtime. By enabling in-house servicing of critical municipal equipment, the project will reduce maintenance costs, improve response readiness for emergency vehicles, and ensure police, fire, and public works teams have reliable equipment available when needed to serve the Galesburg community.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 5305(a)(2) – the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, or installation (including design features and improvements with respect to such construction, reconstruction, or installation that promote energy efficiency) of public works, facilities (except for buildings for the general conduct of government), and site or other improvements.

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

Sincerely,



Eric Sorensen
Member of Congress