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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Committee on Appropriations H-307, The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 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 funding for the Organized Retail Theft Prevention and Prosecution Project in Fiscal Year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the County of Contra Costa, District Attorney's Office, located at 900 Ward Street, Martinez, California 94553.

The funding would be used for creating an Organized Retail Theft (ORT) Prevention and Prosecution Unit with the goal of addressing increased levels of retail theft crimes. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will help local law enforcement better confront these types of crimes and improve public safety.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for the purposes described in 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,

Mark DeSaulnier Member of Congress