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House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-2503

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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Missouri Internet Crimes Against Children Child Exploitation Technology Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the St. Charles County Police Department, located at 101 Sheriff Dierker Court, O'Fallon, Missouri 63366.

The funding would be used to purchase investigative technology and software to enable the St. Charles Police Department to better investigate internet crimes against children. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because St. Charles Police Department is designated by the Department of Justice's Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency and Prevention as the leadagency for the Missouri Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. St. Charles Police Department is responsible for providing the necessary equipment, resources, forensics, and other resources to help law enforcement agencies in Missouri investigate online child exploitation.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 1701(b)(8) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10381(b)(8)).

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

Sincerely,

Bob Onder (MO-03) Member of Congress