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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 2051

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Washoe County Sheriff's Office of Forensics Science Rapid DNA Instruments Project located in Washoe County, Nevada, in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Washoe County, located at 911 E Parr Blvd, Reno, NV 89512.

The funding will be used for the Washoe County Sheriff's Office of Forensic Science to begin utilizing Rapid DNA instruments that will be accessible to the Reno & Sparks Police Departments, Washoe County Regional Medical Examiner's Office, as well as Washoe County Sheriff's Office. This will allow better access to process DNA for agencies in our region. Crime reduction and law enforcement efficiency is to be of the highest priority to the citizens we serve. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will enable the Washoe County Regional Medical Examiner's Office, Reno & Sparks Police Departments, and the Washoe County Sheriff's office to drastically improve public safety and save time and resources, catch more criminals, and exonerate those wrongly accused.

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,

Mark E. Amodei
Member of Congress

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