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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
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 Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for Police Belt-worn Trauma Kits in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is New York City Police Department, located at 1 Police Plaza, New York, NY 10038. The funding would be used for Belt-worn Trauma Kits, which contain lifesaving equipment that can be used for pre-hospital treatment of numerous types of injuries. Immediate, effective treatment of the leading causes of preventable death (extremity hemorrhage, tension pneumothorax, and obstructed airway) can significantly increase the number of lives saved, including law enforcement, first responder, and civilians alike.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because with the increase in active shooter incidents and vehicle ramming attacks, the likelihood of NYPD officers coming across civilians with these life-threatening injuries or sustaining these injuries themselves has greatly increased. The Belt-worn Trauma Kits would allow the NYPD to effectively treat leading causes of preventable death including extremity hemorrhage, tension pneumothorax, and obstructed airways.

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

Grace Meng
Member of Congress

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