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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
House Committee on Appropriations
Washington, DC 20515

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

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Regional Forensic Technology Laboratory in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Bridgeport located at 999 Broad Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut 06604.

The funding would be used for outfitting a Regional Innovative Forensic Technology Laboratory with critical technology and equipment to aid in reducing violent criminal activity. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will give police departments throughout the region the tools to work together to rapidly process data and respond to criminal activity, ultimately easing the burden on state resources and helping to make Connecticut a safer place to live.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Himes", with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

JIM HIMES
Member of Congress