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May 2, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
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 Community Response Empowerment Toolkit Development in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Norwich University Applied Research Institutes Ltd., located at 63 Crescent Avenue, 2nd Floor, Northfield, Vermont, 05663. The funding would be used to develop a data analytic toolkit that assists community leaders in evaluating the value proposition of investing resources in certain law enforcement capabilities, given their local context, needs and demographics. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars because it will allow a whole-of-government approach to align strategies across jurisdictions and understand what high-value best practice law enforcement resources can be deployed to de-escalate and appropriately respond to crises.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. Section 10152).

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 'Becca Balint', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Becca Balint
Member of Congress