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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Equipping of the Kane County Forensic Laboratory in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Kane County Coroner's Office, 37W755 IL-38, Suite A, St. Charles, IL 60175.

The funding will be used to purchase post-mortem toxicology testing equipment, validate DNA equipment, and implement a laboratory information management system. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will help generate leads in criminal investigations, streamline the process of obtaining information related to pending court cases, and help determine the cause of death in a timely manner for grieving families.

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



Bill Foster
Member of Congress