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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairwoman
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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
Democrats
1036 Longworth House Office Building
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the City of Scranton Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and Training Center Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Scranton, located at 340 N. Washington Avenue, Scranton, Pennsylvania 18503. The funding would be used for constructing and equipping a mixed-use facility that will serve as a central coordination hub for disaster response. The EOC's primary functions will include situational awareness, resource management, operational planning, and public information management. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will ensure adequate emergency management coordination and public safety measures are in place in the event of a crisis or a natural disaster. The proposed project will support incident management operations across multiple functional disciplines for the benefit of Lackawanna County and surrounding municipalities.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 614 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5196c), as amended by section 202 of the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (9/11 Act).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Matt Cartwright
Member of Congress