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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rose DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for a police patrol boat, patrol vehicles, radios, and equipment for the Lajas Municipal Police in Fiscal Year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Municipality of Lajas, located at P.O. Box 910, Lajas, Puerto Rico 00667.

The funding would be used for the acquisition of the following equipment for the Municipality of Lajas' police department: a police patrol boat and its associated equipment, including its boat trailer, six (6) personal floating devices, and six (6) life jackets for the municipal police officers; ten (10) police patrol vehicles, which include two (2) patrol all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), four (4) personal patrol electric vehicles/mobility scooters, and four (4) personal patrol two-wheeled transporters; and six (6) portable radios. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would improve public safety in the Municipality of Lajas, providing its municipal police officers additional resources and tools to combat crime and effectively carry out their law enforcement responsibilities.

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,

Jenniffer González-Colón
Member of Congress