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*Subcommittee on Defense*

**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

March 27, 2026

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Lake Shore Fire District Fire Station in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Lake Shore Fire District, located at 1 Long Pond Road, Rochester, NY 14612.

The funding would be used to construct a new facility for the Lake Shore Fire District (LSFD). LSFD is a combination volunteer and career fire service serving 13,000 residents in the northernmost portion of Greece, NY. The district covers 25 miles of developed Lake Ontario shoreline and includes critical infrastructure such as the Monroe County Water Treatment Facility, two elder care facilities, a marina, two residential high-rises, seven large apartment complexes, and high-density residential neighborhoods. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it addresses clear, documented risks that disrupt emergency services and increase long-term costs. The existing fire station is located within a Special Flood Hazard Area, where rising lake levels have already made roads impassable and tripled response times during past flooding events. Relocating the station to a site 20 feet higher in elevation ensures uninterrupted emergency response and protects critical public safety functions. It also ensures the Fire District can continue to enhance the Town's emergency response measures, such as pumping flooded roadways, thereby minimizing economic losses during a flooding or other emergency. In addition, the current facility has sustained significant structural damage from repeated flooding, including foundation erosion, which will continue to require costly repairs without resolving the underlying problem. Investing in a new facility eliminates these recurring expenses while ensuring long-term resilience.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joseph D. Morelle".

Joseph Morelle  
Member of Congress