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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 St. Paul Boulevard Fire District Public Safety & Community Resilience Facility Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is St. Paul Fire District, located at 433 Cooper Road, Rochester, NY 14617.

The funding would be used to construct a modern fire station to replace an aging facility that no longer meets current health, safety, operational, or energy efficiency standards. The existing station lacks code-compliant infrastructure, adequate decontamination zones, resilient systems, and appropriate living accommodations for personnel. The district has also consolidated from a two-station model to a single station, increasing demand on the facility, and houses an Irondequoit ambulance crew. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because a modern fire station directly safeguards the community's tax base by protecting residential neighborhoods, commercial corridors, and critical infrastructure. Effective fire protection and emergency response reduce property loss, support business continuity, and improve overall community risk ratings. Strong fire protection capabilities can positively influence Insurance Services Office (ISO) classifications, which may help stabilize or lower property insurance premiums for residents and businesses. These savings compound over time and strengthen housing affordability and local economic competitiveness.

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