

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-3313

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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, 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 Agriculture Crime Prevention and Rural Protection Initiative in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Wilson's Mills Police Department, located at 100 Railroad St, PO Box 448, Wilson's Mills, NC 27593. The funding would be used for construction of a new police department able to house a soon to be 25+ person staff that the department cannot accommodate in its current space. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the current police department is outdated and too small for the town's current police force. The town of Wilson's Mills is experiencing rapid population growth and the need for more officers has become imminent.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Brad Knott
Member of Congress