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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, U.S. Capitol
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Law Enforcement Protection Services and Fire Prevention project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, located at 570 W Avenue 26, Suite 100, Los Angeles, CA 90065. The funding would be used to assign rangers to patrol park sites to curb illegal activities including alcohol and drug use on the premises and promote public safety. Additionally, the funding would provide patrol rangers with equipment that will assist with monitoring the region, detecting fires, and efficiently employing emergency response in the case of a public safety threat or wildfire.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would increase public safety in park sites, protect the park's natural resources, and reduce wildfire risk.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 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,



Laura Friedman
Member of Congress