

Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515-2404

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

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

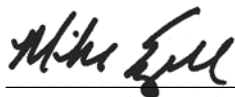
I am requesting funding for the Interoperable Tower Emergency Communications Equipment project in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is George County Board of Supervisors located at 329 Ratliff St. Lucedale, MS, 39452. The funding would be for one (1) set of communications equipment to attach to a tower to eliminate major communication coverage “dead zones” and dramatically improve response times for Sheriff’s Department, Volunteer Fire Departments, and First Responders in rural areas.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this project will dramatically improve response times to reach residents in rural areas and benefits the overall safety for first responders. In addition, the equipment’s interoperability will significantly expand the State’s MSWIN coverage throughout Jackson, Stone, Perry, and Greene Counties.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 1701(b)(9) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10381(b)(9)).

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

Sincerely,



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Mike Ezell  
Member of Congress