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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for a Comprehensive Training Complex (Mock Village) in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Georgia Public Safety Training Center, located at 1000 Indian Springs Drive, Forsyth, GA 31029. This project is designed to move training beyond the classroom and into high-fidelity, real-world simulations. While Phase I is already being realized on-site, the Phase II Expansion is essential to transform this site into a comprehensive training complex. The Phase II Expansion includes two specialized buildings for high-intensity drills; modular units to allow instructors to vary floor plans and real-world conditions; and support infrastructure for parking and staging multi-agency exercises.

This is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because Completing Phase II ensures that Georgia's Public Safety Professionals are provided with a variety of environments required to prepare officers for the unpredictable nature of field service. The expansion of the training grounds will ensure Georgia's first responders continue to train in a functional, professional, and realistic environment.

This project has a federal nexus because the funding is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,

Austin Scott
Member of Congress

