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April 27, 2026

The Honorable Mike Rogers
Chairman
Committee on Armed Services
2216 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Adam Smith
Ranking Member
Committee on Armed Services
2216 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Rogers and Ranking Member Smith:

I am requesting \$15,900,000 in funding for the 23d Security Forces Squadron Military Working Dog Flight Operations Facility, Project # QSEU193002, in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Moody Air Force Base located at 7281 Hangar Avenue, Moody AFB, GA 31699.

The funding would be used for the construction of an adequately sized, properly configured military working dog kennel facilities required to support the on-going missions of the 820th Base Defense Group and the 23d Security Forces Squadron that will include all required functional space for military working dogs and personnel and meet all health and safety standards. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the existing facility does not meet mission requirements for base defense and security forces military working dog operations and negatively impacts mission execution. The current military working dog kennels facility are over 20 years old and was designed and constructed to a less robust standard. Minimum requirements for care and housing of military working dogs to ensure their continued good health and well-being are not being met. Minimum requirements for sustained operations by military handlers and trainers are also not being met.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 10 U.S.C. Chapter 169 and the National Defense Authorization Act.

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