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The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding in the amount of \$1,091,141.00 for a Volunteer Fire Department Fire Engine Replacement for Gate City in fiscal year 2027.

The entity to receive this funding is the Town of Gate City, Virginia, with offices located at 156 East Jackson Street, Gate City, Virginia 24251.

This funding is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars because it will replace the primary fire engine (pumper) used by the Gate City Volunteer Fire Department. The department's current fire engine, a 1996 Pierce Saber, has been in service for nearly thirty years and is increasingly difficult to maintain due to aging mechanical systems, rising maintenance costs, and limited parts availability.

The Gate City Volunteer Fire Department provides fire protection and emergency response for the Town of Gate City and assists neighboring departments through mutual aid agreements in nearby areas of Scott County surrounding Gate City. The department responds to more than 200 emergency incidents annually across its service area, including structure fires, vehicle accidents, medical emergencies, and other incidents requiring rapid response to protect lives and property.

This project has a Federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in the Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) program, 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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "H. Morgan Griffith". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

H. MORGAN GRIFFITH  
Member of Congress