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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Polk County Emergency Operations Center Office Expansion in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Polk County, located at 330 West Church Street, PO Box 9005, Drawer CA01 Bartow, FL 33831-9005. The funding would be used for expanding the existing Emergency Operations Center. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because Polk County Emergency Management is responsible for planning and coordinating actions to prepare, respond and recover from natural or man-made disasters in Polk County. It manages the County Emergency Operations Center, which is the central coordination facility for all disasters. It also plans and conducts emergency training and serves as a liaison with state and federal emergency agencies. Originally designed and constructed in 2008, the 15-year-old facility does not meet current or future needs. The goal of this project is to provide a more effective service to the community during a natural or man-made disaster.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 614 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5196c), as amended by section 202 of the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (9/11 Act).

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

Sincerely,

Member of Congress



Daniel Webster
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