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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for Sacramento CA ICAC Digital Forensic Capacity and Technology Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Sacramento Sheriff's Office, located at 4500 Orange Grove Ave. Sacramento, CA 95841

The funding would be used for strengthening the Sacramento Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force's digital forensic laboratories by investing in critical forensic software, secure digital storage, and technology training necessary to identify offenders, rescue victims, and reduce case backlogs in online child exploitation investigations.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because these investments will increase laboratory output, reduce evidence processing timelines, and strengthen investigative efficiency without increasing personnel costs.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ami Bera".

Member of Congress