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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Forensic Evidence Data System Improvement project in fiscal year 2024.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Houston Forensic Science Center, located at 500 Jefferson St, Ste 1300, Houston, TX 77002.

If awarded, the funding would be used to facilitate the design and development of information systems to improve the collection, tracking, management, and movement of forensic evidence through the criminal justice system of Houston.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will improve the handling and quality of forensic evidence, which will improve the efficacy of the criminal justice system for millions of citizens in Harris County and have applicability for jurisdictions nationwide.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 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 neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Lizzie Fletcher Member of Congress