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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-3303

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Chairman Tom Cole and Ranking Member Rosa DeLauro
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Chairman Tom Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$400,00 to provide technology and equipment upgrades to East Carolina University's (ECU) Police Department. ECU's Police Department is responsible for the prevention of crimes and response to calls for the six campus locations in Greenville, Pitt County, and Dare County. The department serves over 27,000 students and more than 5,000 faculty and staff, making the approximately 32,000 people the department serves the size of NC cities like New Bern and Goldsboro.

ECU PD's current body-worn and in-car software system is outdated. The video data backs up to physical servers that have the capacity to store data for up to 30 days; to save any video material after thirty days, a members of the force must download the data onto High Definition DVDs to store in a secure location in perpetuity. Shifts in modern technology and the need for a sophisticated data storage system is paramount to supporting campus and officer safety and fully participating in the civil and criminal systems of the community. To upgrade from obsolete technology, the ECU PD needs to convert their software to a cloud-based system and upgrade the in-car and body-worn cameras to match the system.

The federal nexus is that COPS Technology and Equipment projects support state, local, and Tribal law enforcement efforts to develop and procure the technology and equipment needed to respond more quickly and effectively, improve officer safety, increase transparency, and enhance community relations.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family. I am most grateful for your careful consideration of this important request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gregory F. Murphy".

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