

April 21, 2025

Chief Jason Sugg East Carolina University Police Department 609 East Tenth Street Greenville, NC 27858

Dear Chief Sugg:

We are grateful for your department's collaborative approach as our partner in law enforcement in and around Greenville, and we are acutely aware of the mutual challenges faced as we work together to keep our community safe. Recognizing ECU's vast presence throughout Greenville, our departments must work together to protect the community, create solutions that cross jurisdictional boundaries, provide evidence in cases that touch both jurisdictions, and support each other when situations arise that are larger than our own capacities.

As your Greenville City Manager, I understand the critical importance of our law enforcement officers and the tools necessary to support an efficient and effective department that is responsive to the needs of the community. I am specifically aware of your need for updated dispatch essentials software, records management system, and mobile data information system. We are incredibly grateful to have received funding for the City of Greenville from our federal legislators to improve and upgrade our technology and equipment through FY24 appropriations, and we are happy to support ECU's Police Department for the same purpose. Aligning our technology and data storage solution will streamline work across departments while still meeting the individual needs of our constituencies.

I am pleased to support the ECU Police Department's proposal for updated technology.

Sincerely,

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April 25, 2025

The Honorable Greg Murphy, M.D. United States House of Representatives 407 Cannon House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

RE: ECU Police Department

Community Project Funding Request

Dear Congressman Murphy:

The East Carolina University Police Department is pursuing a Community Project Funding Request to enhance its safety technology infrastructure. As a lifelong resident of Greenville, criminal attorney serving this community since 1986, and a two-term member of the Greenville City Council representing District 5, I am acutely aware of the indispensable role a well-resourced police department plays in protecting and safeguarding our community. I have consistently advocated for our community law enforcement agencies to aspire to be tier one agencies, the best of the best, and to provide them with the necessary resources to assist in their quest to achieve this status. I want you to know that I fully support the ECU Police Department's request for this funding and endorse the same.

The ECU Police Department has been and continues to be a vital partner in Greenville's public safety network. The jurisdiction of the Greenville Police Department and the ECU Police Department overlap. As a result of this overlap, the ECU Police Department plays an essential role in safeguarding not only the University's campus but also the broader Greenville community. The agencies have shown careful thought and wisdom by entering into mutual aid agreements to benefit the ECU and Greenville community members. Their collaborative approach to law enforcement has fostered a meaningful and effective relationship with our Greenville Police Department.

The University's reach throughout Greenville brings with it a shared responsibility and overlapping jurisdictional needs. It is critical that these law enforcement agencies are equipped with the latest resources and technology tools that are compatible to share information, coordinate responses, and support each other during critical incidents and times of need. The ECU Police Department's request for updated dispatch essentials software, a modernized records management system, and a new mobile data information system are mission critical for this

collaborative effort. These upgrades are essential to improve efficiency, accuracy, and response times across both departments.

We are extremely grateful for the funds, resources and support to enhance the City of Greenville's safety infrastructure, thanks to our federal delegation. We believe it both logical and imperative that the ECU Police Department, our mutual aid partner, receive similar considerations. Enhancing their capabilities will not only improve their department but will also significantly strengthen regional coordination and service delivery with the Greenville Police Department.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can assist in any way to advance their efforts in pursuit of this funding. Supporting this proposal will directly contribute to a safer, more connected, and more responsive public safety network for all who live, work, and advance their education in Greenville. As always, I appreciate your unyielding efforts to benefit our City and County. Thank you for helping us *Grow Greenville Greater*!

With best regards, I remain,

Sincerely Yours,

Leslie S. Robinson