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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Committee on Appropriations
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
Washington, D.C. 2051

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Etowah-Horse Shoe Community EMS Substation for Henderson County Emergency Medical Services in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Balsam Grove Volunteer Fire Rescue, Inc., located at PO Box 125, Balsam Grove, NC 28708.

The funding would be used for the construction of a new EMS Substation in Henderson County. This is a good use of taxpayer funds because construction of the dedicated substation would address rising call volumes and longer response times which would elevate the overall quality of services available to the community. This substation is critical for the community following the aftermath of Hurricane Helene.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

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, appearing to read "Chuck Edwards".

Chuck Edwards
Member of Congress