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Congress of the United States House of Representatives

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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations US House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations US House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$4,000,000 in Member-directed Emergency Operations Center project funding for Sevier County, Tennessee in fiscal year 2024.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency located at 3041 Sidco Drive, Nashville, TN 37204. Sevier County has confirmed that they already have the requisite 75/25 matching funds on hand for Emergency Operations Center grant funding.

The funding would be used for and Emergency Operations Center serving Sevier County.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it protects the health and safety of East Tennesseans.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 614 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5196c), as amended by section 202 of the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (9/11 Act).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Member of Congress

Diana Harshbarges