

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

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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
2207 Rayburn House Office Building
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
2413 Rayburn House Office Building
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for Lakewood LPR Security Cameras in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Lakewood, California located at 5050 Clark Blvd., Long Beach, CA 90802.

The use of advanced technology is essential in providing law enforcement with the necessary tools to combat and investigate crime efficiently, especially in times of limited resources and increasing responsibilities. Federal support will help Lakewood build on the success of a recent pilot program and continue to successfully deploy license plate reader cameras at strategic locations throughout the city. These technologies will be integrated into a unified, web-based platform, providing law enforcement with a centralized tool for criminal investigations and public safety monitoring. Federal funding for this initiative would enable Lakewood to sustain and significantly expand these critical security measures, enhancing public safety for residents and businesses.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

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 "Robert Garcia", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Robert Garcia
Member of Congress