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May 2, 2025

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

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for Virtual Reality Law Enforcement Training in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Nevada State Police, located at 2101 Snyder Venue, Carson City, NV, 89701. The funding would be used by the NSP to purchase the equipment and software necessary to operate four virtual reality (VR) training systems. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because these VR training systems, complete with accompanying peripherals like a replica duty weapon and taser that operate in the VR space, will allow NSP to provide de-escalation/critical incident training through academy and in-service trainings, thus increasing the number of scenarios that cadets and officers can experience to better prepare for the field. These systems are portable, allowing for NSP to bring the system to the divisions within NSP so officers can be trained at their base location. This will ensure that all officers are equipped to deal with situations in a way that offers the least level of use of force as possible while ensuring officer safety.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 1701(b)(8) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10381(b)(8)), including “to procure equipment, technology, or support systems...to increase the number of officers deployed in community-oriented policing” and “to provide specialized training to law enforcement officers to enhance their conflict resolution, mediation, problem solving, service, and other skills needed to work in partnership with members of the community”.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Susie Lee". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Susie" and last name "Lee" clearly distinguishable.

Susie Lee
Member of Congress