

**Congress of the United States**  
**U.S. House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515-0904**

May 2, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-305, the Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
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Washington, D.C. 20515

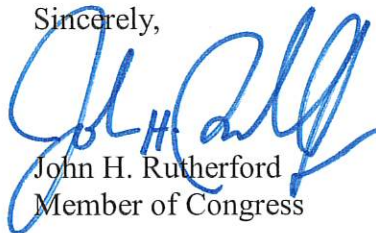
Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for marked patrol vehicles for the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Jacksonville, located at 117 West Duval Street, Jacksonville, FL 32202. The funding would be used for purchase and outfitting of marked patrol vehicles.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would reduce crime by improving patrol coverage, keeping more units on the street, and reducing response times. The Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO) is responsible for protecting the largest city by area in the country. Replacing marked patrol vehicles with a reliable and up-to-date fleet will support more consistent and proactive patrolling, promote stronger community engagement, and ultimately contribute to safer streets.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described 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,



John H. Rutherford  
Member of Congress