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COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Congressman Don Bacon Second Congressional District of Nebraska

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Integrated Public Safety Enhancement Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Saunders County Sheriff's Office, located at 387 N. Chestnut, Suite 1 Wahoo, NE 68066. The funding would be used for the purchase of radio equipment for fire, rescue and law enforcement to be utilized on the updated ORION system. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the county's courthouse and correctional center are more than just buildings; they're the correctores of the community's safety and justice system. For the dedicated individuals who work there, and for those who rely on their services, feeling secure is paramount. However, the current outdated, analog security systems leave these facilities vulnerable, threatening the safety of the staff, the inmates in custody, and the public.

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)).

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

Sincerely,

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Member of Congress