## Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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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 Fire Training Tower Burner Replacement in fiscal year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Edina, located at 4801 W 50<sup>th</sup> St, Edina, MN 55424.

The funding would be used by the City of Edina to upgrade the South Metro Public Safety Training Facility, which provides a simulated training ground for fire, police, and other local and statewide public safety agencies. The project would help replace outdated components of the facility, including new fire tower burners, burn simulators, burner controls, and a safer smoke generator. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because these upgrades will help ensure that the facility remains effective and safe for local first responders, giving them the tools and training they need to keep the community safe.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,

Kelly Morrison Member of Congress