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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for West Palm Beach Bomb Squad Robot in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of West Palm Beach, located at 401 Clematis Street, West Palm Beach, FL 33401. The funding would be used to provide a new bomb squad robot for the City of West Palm Beach. The bomb squad robot is a primary tool to eliminate the need to introduce a technician into a hazardous scene, to identify bomb components, and to establish safe disruption procedures. The current equipment is at its end of life and is no longer operationally safe. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the residents of West Palm Beach and the millions of annual visitors need reliable bomb-detecting and dismantling equipment to live safely in their community.

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,



Lois Frankel  
Member of Congress