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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Committee on Appropriations H-307, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the McKean County Broadband Network Technology Upgrade Project in Fiscal Year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is McKean County, Pennsylvania.

The funding for this project will be used to upgrade eight tower sites in McKean County that provide broadband throughout a very rural part of Northwest Pennsylvania. The lack of reliable and affordable broadband connectivity has negatively impacted residents, businesses, health care facilities, and emergency services throughout McKean County. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will improve broadband connectivity throughout the region, enhancing economic development, health care, and emergency services.

This project has a Federal nexus as it is for the same purposes authorized in the pilot program established by section 779 of division A of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018 (Public Law 115–141).

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

Sincerely,

Glenn "GT" Thompson Member of Congress