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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
Washington, D.C. 20515

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


Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the JHU Safe Storage project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Johns Hopkins University, located at 3400 North Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland, 21218. The \$245,000 in funding would be used to purchase safes, cable locks, and lock boxes to securely store personal firearms, which will be distributed in Baltimore City and surrounding areas to ensure responsible ownership and reduce unintentional harm. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will promote and enable the safe storage of firearms, thus encouraging responsible gun ownership and protecting children from the possibility of using a gun for suicide, gun violence, and unintentional harm.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 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,



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Member of Congress

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