Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

January 25, 2019

Mr. Thomas Di Nanno Assistant Administrator for Grant Programs 400 C Street SW, 3 N Washington, DC 20472-3653

Dear Assistant Administrator Nanno:

I am pleased to write in support of Gem County Fire District 1's application for a Federal Emergency Management Agency grant under their Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program.

Gem County Fire and EMS provides fire suppression and emergency medical services to the unincorporated communities in Gem County, Idaho. They operate four fire stations with 59 firefighters and EMS personnel, which coverages 262 squire miles. The Fire District will annually respond to approximately 1,800 emergencies, 90-100 fires, and 40-50 motor vehicle accidents.

This grant would assist Gem County Fire District 1 to purchase a new quintuple combination pumper as well as a new type 1 ambulance. Gem County Fire District 1 provides essential emergency services and is the primary first responder throughout District 1. Currently, the Fire District is operating old and outdated equipment. This request would update critical equipment for the safety of the first responders and the people who reside in Gem County Fire District 1.

I respectfully request that you give full and fair consideration to the application submitted by the Gem County Fire District 1.

Sincerely,

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Member of Congress