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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
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March 3, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting **\$1,650,000** in funding for the **Hurlock Volunteer Fire Company Improvements Project** in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Hurlock Volunteer Fire Company located at 300 Charles Street Hurlock, MD 21643. The purpose of this funding is to support the purchase of a new engine tanker, a new brush truck, a new command unit, and new turnout gear and other rescue equipment.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will allow a rural fire company to replace critical fire apparatus and equipment that are beyond their recommended service life and lacking modern safety and operational features needed for today's emergency response environment. This project has a Federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Andy Harris, M.D." in a cursive style.

Andy Harris, M.D.
Member of Congress