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The Honorable Mike Thompson
268 Cannon Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

RE: SUPPORT – South Lake County Fire Protection District Requests for Community Project Funding for Hidden Valley Lake Fire Station

Dear Honorable Congressman Thompson:

This letter conveys our Board's support for the South Lake County Fire Protection District's request for funding to construct the Hidden Valley Lake Fire Station. District staff have indicated the current facility is inadequate for staff assigned to that station; initially, it was constructed to support a volunteer-based operation, but with increased fire activity in the region, there is need to house personnel on an ongoing basis. Additionally, the existing facility does not have indoor vehicle storage, leaving sensitive fire apparatus exposed to the elements.

As you are aware, the community of Hidden Valley Lake is one of Lake County's most densely populated, and construction of this facility will not only provide the necessary space for equipment and personnel to further the purpose of South Lake County Fire Protection District, it will have broader public safety benefits for Lake County communities.

Thank you for your consideration of this proposal and its potential benefit to the residents of Lake County.

Respectfully,

Chair
Lake County Board of Supervisors
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Cc: Honorable Senator Alex Padilla; Honorable Senator Adam Schiff