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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

September 15, 2015

The Honorable Jeh Johnson
Secretary of Homeland Security
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Nebraska Avenue Complex
3801 Nebraska Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20528

Dear Secretary Johnson,

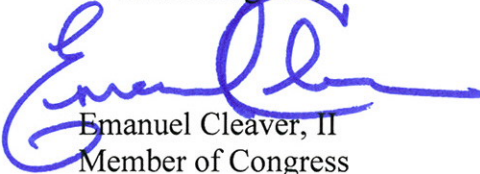
The arrest last week of the terror suspect plotting an attack in Kansas City, Missouri, while incredibly disturbing, highlights the threats facing communities outside the naturally perceived targeted major cities.

My district hosts a variety of high-profile sporting and cultural events that require robust security funding. These events, in addition to the everyday threats our community faces, makes it at risk for a potential terrorist attack. Our first responders and local law enforcement cope with a new reality that goes beyond traditional emergencies. We have put the safety and security of our constituents in the hands of first responders, and it would be unconscionable for us to prevent them from having the tools they need to save lives.

As you may know, Kansas City has, in the past, been the recipient of Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) funding. UASI funding has been critical in developing and maintaining capabilities necessary to quickly and effectively respond to terrorist attacks and catastrophic events in the region. Unfortunately, this year Kansas City was not included in the list of recipients.

I understand that tough decisions are being made that impact communities everywhere, but maintaining capabilities in urban areas with existing federal investments is a critical part of the national infrastructure. Please consider using your administrative authority to prioritize funding for Kansas City. Thank you for your consideration of this important matter and I look forward to working with you further on this issue.

Warmest Regards,



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Member of Congress

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