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The Honorable Thom Tillis United States Senate 113 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Tillis:

On behalf of the International Union of Police Associations, AFL-CIO, I am proud to offer our endorsement and support of your thoughtful legislation, **S2739**, the "Immigration Detainer Enforcement Act of **2019**".

The I.U.P.A. represents active duty rank and file Law Enforcement Officers across this great nation as well as in the U.S. Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. Our members deal daily with the threats to public safety posed by criminal aliens who have entered this nation unlawfully and have committed crimes while here. While some jurisdictions seem to be tolerant of this upheaval, it is the officer on the street who must pick up the pieces and often re-arrest a criminal, only to see him released in spite of immigration detainers being filed. This must stop.

Your critical Bill will put teeth into these detainers and protect the men and women who are trying to protect their communities, in spite of the political leanings of some of their employers, who, like the criminal aliens, choose to ignore Federal Law.

We look forward to working with you and your staff to see this legislation move forward and, I am certain, the President will be happy to sign it into law.

Very Respectfully,

Sam A. Cabral

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