



## International Union of Police Associations

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### **International Union of Police Associations, AFL-CIO, endorses Christina Hagan in Ohio's 13<sup>th</sup> Congressional District race**

On Friday, August 7, 2020, President Sam A. Cabral, I.U.P.A., endorsed Christina Hagan in her campaign to defeat Congressman Tim Ryan representing Ohio's 13<sup>th</sup> Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives. Ryan has held that seat since 2003.

President Cabral cited Ms. Hagan's continuing support for the American Law Enforcement Officer while serving in Ohio's State House, while Ryan, ". . . has abandoned law enforcement and promoted the lies espoused by those who would weaken the police's ability to protect their communities".

Ryan supported eliminating the program that allows law enforcement agencies to obtain surplus government equipment to help them in these efforts. He has gone so far as to sign a letter that promotes the ridiculous assertion, pushed by the left leaning anarchists, that "***Police brutality and violence is the leading cause of death among young black men.***"

President Cabral went on, "I cannot wrap my head around how someone can witness the carnage in Chicago, the destruction of communities and businesses in Seattle and Portland, and determine that the police are the problem. Congressional Representatives are NOT our leaders, they are our employees. It is far past the time that we hold them accountable for their words and their actions."

"The election of Christina Hagan will go a long ways towards that realization."

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*Originally chartered in 1979, the **International Union of Police Associations** is the only chartered labor union that exclusively represents law enforcement personnel. The I.U.P.A. represents active-duty, rank and file law enforcement professionals and emergency medical personnel nationwide – including the U.S. Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. The I.U.P.A.'s mission is to protect and advance officers' wages, benefits, and work conditions. Membership includes officers from agencies throughout the United States, U.S. Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico. More information is available at [www.iupa.org](http://www.iupa.org).*