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The Honorable Debbie Lesko
United States House of Representatives
1113 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congresswoman Lesko:

On behalf of the International Union of Police Associations, AFL-CIO, I am proud to endorse and support your critical **HR 8301**, the "**Holding Rioters Accountable Act of 2020**".

Law Enforcement Officers risk their lives daily trying to restore peace and security in the face of rioters, looters, arsonists, and anarchists. They are attacked with bricks, explosives, and eye damaging lasers. In spite of these hazards, they suit up and show up to protect the lives and property they are sworn to defend. Unfortunately and unbelievably, their efforts are being thwarted by politicians masquerading as local and state prosecutors.

They are arresting, at great risk to themselves, the same people, night after night. Having laws without consequences for violating those statutes completely negates any opportunity to bring peace to these neighborhoods.

Your Bill will, hopefully, provide incentive for these "partners" to do the jobs they were elected to do. I look forward to working with you and your staff to see it become law.

Very Respectfully,

Sam A. Cabral
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