

## INTERNATIONAL UNION OF POLICE ASSOCIATIONS

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The Honorable Tom Cotton United States Senate 326 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Cotton:

On behalf of the International Union of Police Associations, (I.U.P.A.), I am proud to endorse and support your legislation, **S. 33**, "**Blocking Rioters and Insurrectionists from our Cities to Keep us Safe Act of 2021**".

It is far past time that there were greater teeth in the laws that would help restore order in some of our cities beset by violence during the past year. This Bill would enhance penalties for those who participate in rioting, and the assaults with explosives and fire that have accompanied those rampages. It would not take many prosecutions under its provisions to dissuade even the most ardent revolutionary who seeks political change through violence.

I look forward to working with you and your staff to see this become a reality.

Very Respectfully,

Sam A. Cabral

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