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THE ONLY UNION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

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Governor Ron DeSantis
Office of Governor Ron DeSantis
State of Florida
The Capitol
400 S. Monroe St.
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Dear Governor DeSantis:

On behalf of the International Union of Police Associations, I wish to thank you for your efforts to give bonuses to our State's First Responders. Your support for these brave men and women has never faltered.

From the onset of this pandemic, first responders have been at considerable greater risk. Not only do they face the hazards of enforcing the law and arresting sometimes violent offenders, but they have been fighting an invisible and equally hazardous foe in the form of the COVID virus. They have never wavered. They have worked, sometimes without sufficient protective equipment, and have been forced to physically engage with persons whose health or medical conditions are unknown to them. They then return to their families. The psychological strain is almost overwhelming.

Your efforts to both recognize and reward these sacrifices and service is appreciated and appropriate.

Thank you for your efforts on our behalf.

Very Respectfully,

Sam A. Cabral
International President