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The Honorable Jim Banks  
United States House of Representatives  
1713 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Banks:

On behalf of the International Union of Police Associations, AFL-CIO, I am proud to support and endorse your thoughtful legislation, **H.R. 289**, the “**Support Peaceful Protest Act**”.

Your Bill provides fiscal consequences for unlawful activities during riots where Federal Law Enforcement are present. It will impose liability for restitution to the appropriate agency for the costs of their policing actions.

The Bill further will make the convicted offender ineligible for Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation or any other compensation under the same statute.

It is far past time that those who would attack our buildings, businesses, and public safety personnel are held accountable for their actions. This legislation goes a good way in that direction. I look forward to working with you and your staff to see it signed into law.

Very Respectfully,

Sam A. Cabral  
International President