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The Honorable Matt Rosendale  
United States House of Representatives  
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Dear Congressman Rosendale:

On behalf of the International Union of Police Associations, I am proud to support your much-needed legislation, **HR 3217**, the “**Lawless Cities Accountability Act of 2021**”.

Perhaps one of the most basic roles of any government is to protect its citizens. In the recent past, many states and municipalities have enabled and even encouraged lawless demonstrators to burn and loot without police intervention. These riots cost lives and money, much of which is funded by the taxpayers who have suffered the losses. We have actually seen police free zones created at the direction of city government where the citizens who fund that government are assaulted and have their homes and businesses destroyed. It is insanity.

Your bill would restrict taxpayer dollars from flowing from the federal government to these lawless jurisdictions as determined by the Attorney General.

This legislation is direct and makes common sense. It will, hopefully, provide a disincentive for those who would ignore the rule of law and turn a blind eye to the breaking of statutes, which were lawfully enacted. Its passage would greatly help to restore order to these cities and states. It is sad such a bill is even necessary.

We look forward to working with you and your staff to see this legislation move forward.

Very Respectfully,

Sam A. Cabral  
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