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The Honorable Larry Hogan, Governor
100 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401-1925

Dear Governor Hogan:

I am writing on behalf of the members of the International Union of Police Associations, AFL-CIO, to thank you for your supportive and timely comments in your recent editorial, "Fight Crime and Support Police".

As we have seen the anti-police rhetoric grow and become more volatile, we have witnessed a corresponding rise in crime and reduction in available police to combat it. We very much agree with your observations and suggestions to reduce these parallel issues.

Decent human beings would denounce the vilification of any group due to the actions of a very few, while some celebrate that very behavior by a few political figures and much of the media. This has resulted in less respect and greater resistance shown to our officers around the nation. These acts of resistance sometimes result in force to overcome resistance which then, again, feeds the vocal fringe groups denouncing law enforcement.

I again thank you for your very vocal and public support for law enforcement. If we may ever be of any assistance to you in this or future endeavors, I hope you will call on us.

Sincerely,

Sam A. Cabral
International President