



# INTERNATIONAL UNION OF POLICE ASSOCIATIONS

THE ONLY UNION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

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The Honorable Claudia Tenney  
House of Representatives  
1410 Longworth House Office Building  
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Dear Congresswoman Tenney:

On behalf of the International Union of Police Associations, I am pleased to endorse your thoughtful legislation, **H.R. 4500**, the “**Local Law Enforcement Protection Act of 2021**”.

This bill requires that state or local governments must not, before receiving any grant under a covered program, have in place any law that provides less qualified immunity to law enforcement officers than described in the holding in *Saucier v. Katz* (533 U.S. 194 (2001)).

This bill will provide a disincentive to those agencies and governments who are trying to dismantle qualified immunity for these law enforcement officers who make split second decisions under stressful, life-threatening circumstances. They should not be rewarded for acts that jeopardize our officers and contribute to the challenges of retaining and recruiting law enforcement personnel.

I look forward to working with you and your staff to see this bill become law.

Very Respectfully,

Sam A. Cabral  
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