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The Honorable Patrick J. Toomey
United States Senate
455 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Toomey:

On behalf of the International Union of Police Associations, AFL-CIO, I am honored to lend our endorsement and support to your recently introduced and critical legislation, **S. 3458, "The Thin Blue Line Act"**.

This bill will provide quite simply enhanced federal penalties for persons who kill or target America's public safety officers in the performance of their duties.

America's first responders are being targeted more frequently and killed in ambush type crimes more than ever before. "Progressive" district and city attorneys are not pursuing enacted statutes to adequately deal with those charged or convicted of such crimes.

Hopefully, this critical legislation can become law and law enforcement leaders can access the federal system when facing the failure of local prosecutors to seek justice on behalf of these victims.

We look forward to working with you and your staff to bring this bill forward, and, as an aside, we pray you will reconsider your retirement from public office.

Very Respectfully,

Sam A. Cabral
International President