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Dear Chairman and Minority Leader;

On behalf of the International Union of Police Associations, AFL-CIO, I am writing to urge you to consider H.R. 483, the ***“Heroes Zerebny and Gil Vega First Responders Survivors Support Act”*** in the upcoming Judiciary hearing regarding public safety.

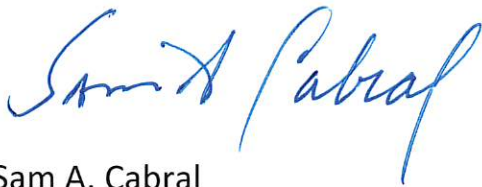
The bill, quite simply, increases survivor benefits including educational benefits for those left behind by line of duty deaths. The bill also provides that the amount paid is determined by the month of disbursement rather than the date of death, a change that benefits survivors who sometimes have lengthy waits between the time of death and the final determination of cause and eligibility of the survivors.

The increase in educational benefits will keep up with the increase in tuition costs which are raising much faster than the rate of inflation that determines the educational benefit currently offered.

The inclusion of this needed legislation into any public safety proposal put forward by the House will greatly enhance the probability of Law Enforcement support.

I thank you in advance for your consideration in the matter.

Very Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sam A. Cabral". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "S".

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