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The Honorable Roger Marshall  
United States Senate  
Russell Senate Office Building, Suite 479A  
2 Constitution Ave NE  
Washington, D.C. 20002

Dear Senator Marshall:

On behalf of the International Union of Police Associations, representing rank and file officers from across this great nation, including its territories in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, I am proud to announce our support for your pending legislation, "**Concerned Citizen's Bill of Rights**".

Your timely and thoughtful bill will cut government funding for law enforcement grants for jurisdictions that either fail to enforce the law and/or embrace policies that tie the hands of law enforcement and cater to the criminal elements. It also encourages localities and agencies to thoroughly report their crime data to NIBRS.

The softening of our laws and the embrace of no cash bail has resulted in a frightening increase in violent crime in many of our major cities. Many of these victims result from crimes committed by violent criminals after their pre-trial release for other violent crimes. Law enforcement officers are weary of making arrests for violent crimes and seeing the suspects walk out of jail before they can finish their reports. Judicial discretion has also been removed from consideration in pre-trial release.

We even have Chiefs of Police who, upon orders from feckless local politicians, tell their officers to ignore many legally enacted statutes. Police, in part because of this, are leaving the profession in droves. It is a formula for disaster and we are living with the results of these policies.

Your legislation will end much of this nonsense and is long overdue.

I fear it has little chance in the current Democratic Congress. It will certainly provide a scorecard for those who embrace public safety and those who do not. We look forward to working with you and your staff to bring this bill forward in both the 117<sup>th</sup> and 118<sup>th</sup> Congress.

We thank you for its introduction.

Very Respectfully,



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International President