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The Honorable Ted Cruz United States Senate 127A Russell Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Cruz:

On behalf of rank and file, active-duty law enforcement professionals and emergency medical personnel across this great nation represented by the International Union of Police Associations, AFL-CIO, I enthusiastically endorse and support the "Stop Dangerous Sanctuary Cities Act".

The notion that a municipality can forbid law enforcement officials from sharing information or complying with a lawful detainer from federal immigration officials borders on insanity. We have seen repeatedly the victimization of people, including children, by persons who have been released from custody in disobedience to these detainers. For the federal government to assist these municipalities with funding is also absurd.

The bill will not require law enforcement to report the immigration status of victims, witnesses, or informants, nor to comply with DHS in those instances. It also does not mandate that local law enforcement take over the duties of immigration officers. It simply requires agencies to cooperate with federal authorities in enforcing federal law in order to receive federal funding.

Your thoughtful bill has been endorsed by other law enforcement groups and we proudly join them.

We look forward to working with you and your staff to bring this needed legislation forward and thank you for its introduction.

Very Respectfully,

Sam A. Cabral

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