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The Honorable Dan Crenshaw
United States House of Representatives
248 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Crenshaw:

On behalf of the International Union of Police Associations (I.U.P.A.), I am pleased to announce our support of your thoughtful and timely legislation, HR 2548, “Public Safety Officer Concussion and Traumatic Brain Injury Health Act of 2023”, which will require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to collect and disseminate information on concussion and traumatic brain injury among public safety officers.

The International Union of Police Associations, AFL-CIO, represents rank and file, active-duty law enforcement professionals across this great nation, including the U.S. territories of Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. Our members are subjected to violent injuries, sometimes impacting their heads. Your bill will address the ramifications of such injuries and explore methods to reduce the residual effects of such injuries.

It instructs that the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention shall collect and make publicly available information on concussion and traumatic brain injury among public safety officers, including research related to evidence based practices and personal protective equipment recommendations as well as medical information related to diagnosing, protocols for identifying and treating, and measures for reducing the incidence of concussion and traumatic brain injury among public safety officers.

It further directs mental health professionals to develop a better understanding of the link between concussions and traumatic brain injury as well as conditions such as trauma and stress related disorders, mood disorders, and suicidal ideations.

We look forward to working with you and your staff to see this critical legislation move forward.

Very Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sam A. Cabral". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Sam A. Cabral
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