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The Honorable Tim Scott
The Honorable Sherrod Brown
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senators Scott and Brown:

On behalf of the International Union of Police Associations, AFL-CIO, I am proud to endorse your timely legislation, the "FEND Off Fentanyl Act".

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 deal with the ravages of fentanyl every day. Many of them have fallen ill due to exposure to this drug.

Fentanyl is the number one killer of persons under the age of fifty years in America, outpacing cancer and heart disease. It is being shipped in large quantities across our porous borders and killing our citizens. It largely funds drug cartels. It is, without question, a "National Emergency".

Your bill will empower the President to sanction international criminal organizations and seize money and property associated with the profits of this drug. It will also empower the Treasury to combat fentanyl-related money laundering, hopefully making the trafficking of this drug less profitable. It will provide additional resources to law enforcement to combat this killer.

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

Very Respectfully,

Sam A. Cabral
International President