October 4, 2023

The Honorable Josh Hawley
United States Senate
115 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Hawley:

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, S. 3007, “A bill to allow States to authorize State and local law enforcement officers to enforce the provisions of Federal immigration law relating to unlawful entry into the United States and to authorize States along the southern land border to construct barriers on Federal lands to prevent unlawful entry into the United States.”

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.

It is disheartening to realize that local law enforcement needs special permission to enforce Federal Statutes. We see the decay in our cities and the social and fiscal problems associated with homelessness and unchecked illegal immigration. Your bill will help to alleviate these restrictions and also provide some deterrent to these illegal border crossings.

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

Very Respectfully,

Sam A. Cabral
International President