



**INTERNATIONAL UNION
OF POLICE ASSOCIATIONS**
THE ONLY UNION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

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The Honorable Dean Phillips
House of Representatives
2452 Rayburn House Office Building
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Dear Congressman Phillips:

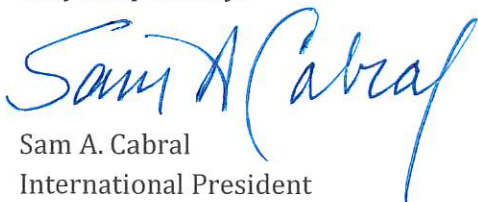
On behalf of the International Union of Police Associations, AFL-CIO, I am proud to join those who endorse and support your thoughtful legislation, **H.R. 6030, "Expanding Health Care Options for First Responders Act."**

As you know, Law Enforcement Officers work in a challenging physical and emotional environment. Their experiences and activities impact them physically and, in many jurisdictions, require them to retire prior to reaching the age where they are eligible for Medicare. Their job often leaves them with medical conditions which make finding affordable health insurance challenging. Many of them do not qualify for Social Security.

Your Bill would ease these difficulties and help to provide care for these brave men and women as well as their families. It would ease the financial impact of their forced retirement and allow them these valuable benefits, which they have surely earned.

We look forward to working with you and your staff to make this legislation a priority and a reality.

Very Respectfully,


Sam A. Cabral
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