

## INTERNATIONAL UNION OF POLICE ASSOCIATIONS

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The Honorable Claudia L. Tenney United States House of Representatives 2230 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congresswoman Tenney:

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, **H.R. 4638**. The proposed legislation seeks to amend existing immigration laws so that any individual convicted of harming animals used in law enforcement would be considered both inadmissible to and deportable from the United States. This change aims to protect law enforcement animals by ensuring individuals who harm them face significant consequences. If enacted, this would add an additional category of criminal activity affecting immigration status.

The International Union of Police Associations, AFL-CIO, represents rank and file, activeduty law enforcement professionals across this great nation, including the U.S. territories of Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. Our canine partners are critical to performing numerous aspects of our jobs more safely and efficiently. We view an assault on them as an assault on us.

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

Very Respectfully,

Sam A. Cabral

International President