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The Honorable Ken Calvert
United States House of Representatives
2205 Rayburn Building
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Dear Congressman Calvert,

On behalf of the International Union of Police Associations, I am proud to support your timely and needed legislation, **H.R. 4638**, the “**BOWOW Act**”.

The proposed legislation seeks to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to classify aliens convicted of harming animals used in law enforcement as inadmissible and deportable. The bill introduces new provisions under sections 212(a)(2) and 237(a)(2) of the Act, specifically addressing offenses under section 1368 of Title 18 of the United States Code. It aims to strengthen the legal framework protecting official working animals by ensuring that aliens who commit such offenses face stringent immigration consequences.

While we support the deportation of all of those who are in this country in defiance of our immigration statutes, we strongly believe that those who assault law enforcement officers or their canine partners deserve special attention towards their deportation.

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.

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

Very Respectfully,

Sam A. Cabral
International President