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The Honorable Don Bacon
United States House of Representatives
2104 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Bacon:

On behalf of the National Association of Police Organizations (NAPPO), representing over 250,000 sworn law enforcement officers across the country, I am writing to you to express our support for the Marc Fischer Memorial Interdiction of Fentanyl in Postal Mail at Federal Prisons Act, H.R. 1046.

The Federal Bureau of Prisons (BOP) comprises 122 federal prison facilities across the country, employing nearly 36,000 employees and responsible for more than 155,000 federal inmates. The smuggling of drugs and illicit contraband into federal prisons through inmate mail is on the rise, and endangering the health and safety of BOP staff, officers, and inmates. Exacerbating the situation, the BOP is understaffed and under resourced, and correctional officers are being reassigned from other critical functions to assist in processing inmate mail.

The Marc Fischer Memorial Act requires the BOP Director to develop and implement a strategy to use digital mail scanning or other technology to interdict fentanyl and other synthetic drugs in the mail at federal correctional facilities. This bill is an important step towards eliminating dangerous contraband arriving through the mail at federal prisons, relieving stress on an overworked workforce, and protecting the health and welfare of BOP personnel and inmates.

We thank you for your leadership on this issue and we look forward to working with you to pass this important legislation. If we can provide any further assistance, please feel free to contact me at: (703) 549-0775.

Sincerely,

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