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The Honorable Greg Landsman
United States House of Representatives
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Senator Ruben Gallego
United States Senate
302 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Representative Landsman and Senator Gallego:

On behalf of the National Association of Police Organizations (NAPO), representing some 250,000 sworn law enforcement officers across the nation, I am writing to express our strong support for the Expanding Health Care Options for First Responders Act (H.R. 6147 / S. 3221).

Law enforcement officers often retire earlier than other occupations because of the physical demands and unique hazards of the job, and many are faced with mandatory retirement upon reaching a certain age. Across the country, retiring officers are losing their employer-provided health insurance and, as they are years away from being Medicare-eligible, are forced to spend their retirement money on health insurance premiums.

This legislation is important as it would give law enforcement retirees ages 50 to 64 another option to purchase affordable health insurance coverage. It would ensure they continue to have access to reasonable, comprehensive health insurance in retirement until they reach age 65 regardless of whether their state pension plan provides insurance coverage.

The Expanding Health Care Options for First Responders Act would help preserve the retirement security and the health of those public servants who selflessly serve and protect our communities. NAPO stands ready to support with any efforts necessary to pass this important legislation. If you have any questions, or if we can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me at: (703) 549-0775.

Sincerely,

William J. Johnson
Executive Director