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Representative Sam Crump
1700 W. Washington St.
Phoenix, AZ 85007

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RE: Law Enforcement Officers Just Cause Legislation

Dear Representative Crump,

I represent a grassroots organization in the city of Phoenix which consists of 544 businesses and 19,410 households and we continue to grow exponentially every month. Our mission is working together for crime prevention and crime reduction, as well as redevelopment of areas affected by these issues. We consider the interests of our frontline law enforcement partners as our own.

We would like to go on record as *strongly* supporting the Law Enforcement Officers Just Cause Legislation. We consider it patently absurd that anyone who enjoys the protection of our law enforcement partners, men and women who consider it a routine part of their job to step in front of a bullet to protect any one of us, would not support this bill. It is our position that the very least we can do as a society to honor this partnership with law enforcement is to guarantee them the right to an administrative disciplinary investigation that is based upon just cause, and guarantees a fair investigation that meets objective standards.

We are not opposed to disciplinary investigations; however, we as a society can no longer permit even the possibility that the whims of management personalities are the rule of law that our officers are subjected to during an investigation. It is time to level the playing field to give our officers the same rights that these officers are required by law to give to the criminals they protect us from. Would any of us expect any less put in the same position?

Representative Crump, we are counting on you and your committee's continued support on this issue that is of vital importance to this group and our law enforcement partners.

Sincerely,

Ann Malone
President