

## **Peace Officers Research Association** of California

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The Honorable Charles Grassley 135 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Grassley,

Congratulations on your being re-elected to the United States Senate and your continued leadership of the Judiciary Committee. We wish you the best as you take on the weighty responsibilities before you.

On behalf of the Peace Officers Research Association of California ("PORAC"), the nation's largest statewide public safety association representing over 69,000 members in California and Nevada, I write to express our support for the nomination of Senator Jeff Sessions to be the next Attorney General of the United States.

In light of the policy positions and general viewpoints toward law enforcement expressed by Senator Sessions during his recent confirmation hearing before the Senate Judiciary Committee, PORAC believes that he is well-qualified to serve as our nation's chief law enforcement officer.

Having worked with him and his staff on a range of matters affecting law enforcement, including proposed changes to the Electronic Communications Privacy Act last Congress, we have seen Senator Sessions' commitment to the rule of law and dedication to the preservation of public safety. We very much appreciated his comments at the hearing on community policing. He recognizes the strides that law enforcement has made in building public trust but acknowledges, as PORAC does, that there is still room for improving those relations.

We appreciate the open and strong relationship you have built with our organization and our members. We also, as always, thank you for considering our views.

Sincerely,

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