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WILLIAM J. JOHNSON, CAE Executive Director and General Counsel Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Feinstein,

On behalf of the National Association of Police Organizations (NAPO), and the more than 240,000 law enforcement officers we represent across the United States, I am writing to advise of your our wholehearted support for the nomination of Senator Jeff Session for United States Attorney General. Senator Sessions has been a voice for law enforcement on many issues facing our community as a Senator and member of the Judiciary Community. His experience and ability to work closely with law enforcement and the criminal justice community are invaluable qualities for the next Attorney General.

NAPO is a coalition of police units and associations from across the United States that serves to advance the interests of America's law enforcement officers. Founded in 1978, NAPO now represents more than 1,000 police units and associations, 241,000 sworn law enforcement officers, and more than 100,000 citizens who share a common dedication to fair and effective crime control and law enforcement.

From his time as a United States Attorney to being elected Alabama Attorney General to his current position as a United States Senator, Senator Sessions has been a strong advocate for criminal justice issues and has shown a unique understanding of the needs of the law enforcement community. Through the years working with him, Senator Sessions has earned the trust and respect of the rank-and-file officers NAPO represents. He has supported many of our priority issues including increasing penalties for those who harm or target for harm law enforcement officers, ensuring state and local law enforcement have access to lifesaving gear and equipment, and increasing protections for child victims of abuse.

Senator Sessions has shown his full support of the law enforcement community and we believe he will serve our nation well as the next United States Attorney General. Therefore, we urge the Committee to support the nomination of Senator Jeff Sessions. Please feel free to contact me at (703) 549-0775 if there is anything I or our organization can do in further support of Senator Sessions for this position.

Sincerely,

William J. Johnson, Esq., CAE

Executive Director

Cc: Members, Judiciary Committee, United States Senate