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The Honorable Chuck Grassley  
Senate Judiciary Committee  
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The Honorable Dick Durbin  
Senate Judiciary Committee  
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Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Durbin,

The Major Cities Chiefs Association, a professional organization of police executives representing the largest cities in the United States and Canada, endorses President Trump's nomination of Sara Carter to serve as Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP).

Our members are on the front lines of addressing the challenges of illicit drugs, substance abuse, and the violence and instability these issues bring to our communities. As such, the MCCA has long supported the role of ONDCP, especially in its support of High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) programs. Together, we have made strides in reducing youth drug use and disrupting the market for illegal drugs by dismantling drug trafficking organizations. Make no mistake, more work remains.

In a recent conversation with MCCA leadership, Ms. Carter listened intently to our concerns and expressed a desire to collaborate and work together to achieve our shared goal of safer communities. Ms. Carter clearly demonstrated that she is solutions-oriented and values collaboration across jurisdictions. Importantly, she showed an understanding of the vital role that local law enforcement plays in addressing the drug crisis.

The MCCA is prepared to work constructively with Ms. Carter, should she be confirmed, to ensure the perspectives of major city law enforcement executives are included in the national discussion on drug policy. In that spirit, the MCCA respectfully submits this letter of support for Ms. Carter's nomination. We look forward to maintaining an open and productive relationship with ONDCP under her leadership.

Sincerely,

Chief Harold Medina  
Albuquerque Police Department  
President, Major Cities Chiefs Association