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The Honorable Dick Durbin
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington D.C. 20510

The Honorable Chuck Grassley
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley,

I am writing today to offer my insight into Steven M. Dettlebach and to support his nomination for the position of Director of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF).

I have worked with Mr. Dettlebach when I oversaw a county-wide drug task force and major crime unit in Marion, Ohio and Steve was the U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Ohio. I can say with first-hand experience that Mr. Dettlebach takes on violent crime head on. Steve has taken on tough cases that has made our streets safer.

Mr. Dettlebach worked closely with local law enforcement from every jurisdiction in the Northern District of Ohio. The Northern District of Ohio is home to many larger cities, like Cleveland, Toledo and Akron but Mr. Dettlebach also worked closely with the smaller cities and counties and understands the importance of assisting all jurisdictions. Mr. Dettlebach has always worked closely with Ohio law enforcement and maintained an excellent record of communication, collaboration and results in taking violence criminals off of our streets.

I am proud to offer my personal support for the nomination of Mr. Steven Dettlebach for this extremely important position and I urge the Judiciary Committee and the members of the United States Senate to confirm him as Director of the ATF.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Chief Jay McDonald
Marion, Ohio Police Department

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