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The Honorable Trey Gowdy  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Gowdy:

On behalf of the International Union of Police Associations (I.U.P.A.), I am proud to add our name to those who support the critical legislation, HR 1148, the **“Michael Davis, Jr. in Honor of State and Local Law Enforcement Act of 2015.”**

As you know, the I.U.P.A. represents more than 100,000 rank and file, active-duty law enforcement professionals across this great nation as well as in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. Current law and policy has tied many of our member's hands in protecting our communities from undocumented immigrants who are involved in criminal activities and enterprise.

Recent events have clearly illustrated the need for local law enforcement to have the tools needed to deal with criminal aliens so that they may be returned to their country of origin before they can create greater havoc and loss of life here. Your bill will give them the tools needed to be proactive in their ongoing efforts to provide their citizens with a safe environment.

I look forward to working with you and your staff to see this legislation forward and becoming law.

Very Respectfully,

Dennis Slocumb, International Vice President Emeritus  
Legislative Director  
International Union of Police Associations