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October 8, 2014

The Honorable Richard Shelby  
United States Senate  
304 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Shelby:

On behalf of the National Association of Police Organizations (NAPO), I am writing to you to express our full support of the Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act (S.1738).

NAPO is a coalition of police unions and associations from across the United States that serves to advance the interests of America's law enforcement through legislative and legal advocacy, political action, and education. 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.

The Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act will provide resources to stop the growing problem of human trafficking and restore the lives of victims who have been impacted by this heinous crime. This comprehensive anti-human trafficking bill will also create new tools that will enhance law enforcement's ability to combat human trafficking across the United States.

On September 18, 2014, the Senate Judiciary Committee approved the Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act as an amendment to the Runaway and Homeless Youth and Trafficking Prevention Act by a unanimous vote of 18-0. We are advocating for the Senate to vote on this bill during the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress.

We appreciate your consideration, and hope to work with you to pass this important legislation. If you need any additional information on this bill, please feel free to contact me at: (703) 549-0775.

Sincerely,

William J. Johnson  
Executive Director