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Honorable Michael Burgess United States House of Representatives 2336 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Burgess:

On behalf of the National Association of Police Organizations (NAPO), representing 241,000 rank-and-file officers from across the United States, I am writing to you to express full support for the Health Savings Act of 2015 (H.R. 1196).

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.

We are grateful that you have introduced this bill, which will expand the use of Health Savings Accounts (HSAs), and allow Americans to put aside money for themselves and their children to help mitigate the rising cost of deductibles and out-of-pocket healthcare expenses.

Public safety officers have been impacted by the current law, which only allows HSAs to be purchased for certain health insurance plans, and contributions are restricted to levels that are often substantially lower than deductibles. This bill will help to ensure that HSAs may be used more broadly, thereby increasing patient choice in how their healthcare dollars are spent.

NAPO believes this bill is important to the law enforcement community, and stands ready to support any efforts necessary to pass this legislation. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at: (703) 549-0775.

Sincerely, Willing

William J. Johnson Executive Director