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Honorable Stephen Lynch U.S. House of Representatives 2133 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Lynch:

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 H.R. 4690, a Bill to Establish a National Emergency Medical Services Memorial.

NAPO is a coalition of police unions and associations from across the United States, including the Boston Emergency Services Division of the Boston Police Patrolmen's Association. NAPO 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.

NAPO fully supports this important effort to honor the service and sacrifices of our nation's emergency medical service providers, who put themselves in harm's way to provide critical care. These first responders work tirelessly to save lives every day, and often go unrecognized as they perform their duties.

These men and women deserve to be recognized for their work and sacrifices. NAPO stands ready to support any efforts necessary to pass this important legislation. If you have any questions, or if we can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me at: (703) 549-0775.

Sincerely, Alva

William J. Johnson Executive Director

cc: Thomas Nee, NAPO President Jamie Orsino, EMS Division of the Boston Police Patrolmen's Association President