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Statement from NAPO President Mick McHale Regarding President's Executive Order to Support and Strengthen Law Enforcement

Alexandria, VA – Today, President Trump signed an Executive Order, *Strengthening and Unleashing America's Law Enforcement to Pursue Criminals and Protect Innocent Civilians*, which provides for significant support and resources for state and local law enforcement. We applaud the President for continuing to have the backs of the men and women who put their lives on the line every day to serve and protect our communities.

The provisions of this Executive Order adopt and make official almost all of the **top policy priorities** we have been calling for with the Administration. This includes protecting law enforcement officers' legal rights, supporting improved training and increased benefits for officers, stronger penalties for those who commit violence against officers, going after misguided prosecutors and officials who refuse to enforce the law, and reevaluating the numerous consent decrees that are thwarting agencies across the country. It is no exaggeration to say that this Administration has listened carefully to NAPO's concerns, and followed our policy positions as a roadmap.

This executive action by the President will be vital to the efforts of state and local law enforcement to keep our communities and the officers who serve them safe and secure. We stand with the President in support of this Order and look forward to working with the Administration on its implementation.

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The National Association of Police Organizations (NAPO) is a coalition of police units and associations from across the United States that serves to advance the interests of America's law enforcement officers through legislative and legal advocacy, political action, and education. Founded in 1978, NAPO now represents more than 1,000 police units and associations, and 241,000 sworn law enforcement officers.