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The Honorable Lindsey O. Graham
Chairman
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Dianne G. Feinstein
Ranking Member
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman and Senator Feinstein,

I am writing on behalf of the members of the Fraternal Order of Police to advise you of our strong support for the nomination of William P. Barr to be the next Attorney General of the United States.

President Trump could not have selected a finer nominee to lead the U.S. Department of Justice. Not only has Mr. Barr served as U.S. Attorney General in the Administration of George H.W. Bush, he has a long history of public service and dedication to the rule of law. After clerking for a judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia and a short tenure in the Reagan White House, Mr. Barr joined the Bush (41) Administration as Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Legal Counsel in 1989. President Bush took note of his leadership, integrity and commitment to law enforcement and promoted him to Deputy Attorney General in 1990.

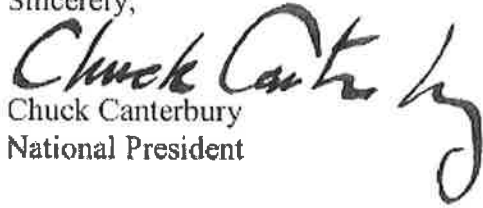
In 1991, Mr. Barr was named Acting Attorney General and successfully led the Federal law enforcement response to a hostage situation at the Talledega Federal prison. Nine hostages were taken by more than 100 Cuban inmates and, realizing they were in imminent danger, ordered the Hostage Rescue Team to assault the prison. The hostages were saved without any loss of life.

Following this incident, President Bush nominated him to be U.S. Attorney General. The Committee on the Judiciary reported his nomination unanimously and the Senate confirmed him as the 77th Attorney General on a voice vote. During his tenure as Attorney General, he was known for his anti-crime approach and his focus on violent crimes. The FOP shares his views and we are confident that Mr. Barr will, once again, be a stellar “top cop.”

We believe the President has made an outstanding choice in Mr. William P. Barr to return to public service as the Attorney General of the United States. The FOP proudly offers our full, enthusiastic and unequivocal support for this nominee and we urge the Judiciary Committee to favorably report his nomination.

On behalf of the more than 345,000 members of the Fraternal Order of Police, thank you both for your continued leadership and for your consideration of our views on this critical nomination. If I can be of any additional help on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me or Executive Director Jim Pasco in my Washington office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chuck Canterbury". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large, prominent "C" at the beginning and a long, sweeping tail at the end.

Chuck Canterbury
National President