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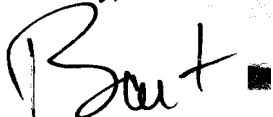
Dear President Young:

I am writing to thank you for the invaluable assistance that the Fraternal Order of Police has provided in support of the James Guelff and Chris McCurley Body Armor Act. I am pleased to report that the bill was incorporated into the Department of Justice FY2002 Authorization conference report which recently passed both the House and Senate, and will soon be signed into law.

I have worked for many years on the body armor bill, which is so important to our nation's law enforcement. Passage of this bill also rewards the hard work of your organization and its members, who have been so active in support of this initiative. This bill takes body armor out of the hands of criminals, and provides them to our nation's law enforcement that works so hard to protect our citizens and our nation.

Thank you for all of your efforts, without which we could not have been successful. I look forward to working with the FOP in the future in my capacity as the co-chair of the House Law Enforcement Caucus.

Sincerely,



Bart Stupak  
Member of Congress

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