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The Honorable Adam B. Schiff  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Schiff,

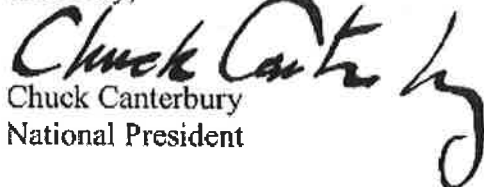
I am writing on behalf of the members of the Fraternal Order of Police to advise you of our support for H.R. 695, the “Child Protection Improvements Act.”

We supported the “Prosecutorial Remedies and Tools Against the Exploitation of Children Today (PROTECT) Act,” in the 108<sup>th</sup> Congress which established this important program. This legislation restored the balance between law enforcement and the First Amendment so we can protect our children from pornographers. The protection of our children is one of the most important issues of our day, especially with the advancement in technology that can be used to exploit them.

This legislation ensures that any organization that serves not only children, but the disabled and elderly, has access to FBI fingerprint searches in a timely and affordable manner. This bill also protects privacy rights by ensuring that specifics of a criminal record are never disclosed without explicit consent by the volunteer or employee and provides an opportunity for individuals to correct errors in their records. It is necessary for us to provide these criminal background checks to organizations across the country that serve our children, the disabled, and the elderly so they are not taken advantage of or abused by people who have fallen through the cracks of our criminal justice system.

On behalf of more than 330,000 members of the Fraternal Order of Police, I commend you for your leadership on this issue. We look forward to working with you and your staff to get the bill to the President’s desk. If I can be of any further assistance to you on this issue, please do not hesitate to contact me or Jim Pasco, Senior Advisor to the National President, in my Washington office.

Sincerely,

  
Chuck Canterbury  
National President

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