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Patrick Yoes President Fraternal Order of Police pyoes@fop.net

Dear Mr. Yoes:

On this day, which we mark as National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day, I express my gratitude, respect, and admiration for your leadership and for the bravery, service, and sacrifice of each law enforcement officer whom you represent. I do so personally and on behalf of the United States Department of Homeland Security.

The safety of our communities across the country is achieved through the noble work our law enforcement officers perform every day. It is you – those of you who wear the badge and those who work in support of the badge as members of the law enforcement community – who protect us through your selfless and patriotic service. I also want to recognize and thank your families and loved ones. No one serves alone. The people around you shoulder the sacrifices with you, and they deserve our deep appreciation and respect as well.

Thank you and your law enforcement colleagues for everything you do. Our Department remains committed to partnering with you and providing the resources and tools necessary to support your critical law enforcement mission. Stay safe.

Alejandro N. Mayorkas

Secretary

Thank you for everything.

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