

119TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

S. CON. RES. _____

Expressing support for America's law enforcement professionals.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. CASSIDY submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on _____

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing support for America's law enforcement professionals.

Whereas more than 840,000 law enforcement officers in the United States risk their lives daily to serve and protect their communities;

Whereas the law enforcement officers of the United States perform their difficult and dangerous job honorably and professionally, with the overwhelming majority of Americans having a positive opinion of their interactions with police;

Whereas, after the record increases in violent crime that occurred nationwide between 2020 and 2022, the United States has experienced a dramatic and sustained reduction in crime, with the Federal Bureau of Investigation reporting a 4.5 percent decrease in violent crime and a

14.9 percent decline in homicides in 2024, and preliminary data for 2025 showing an 18 to 20 percent reduction in homicides and significant decreases in other major crime categories;

Whereas this progress in crime reduction has been made possible by the innovative and dedicated efforts of law enforcement officers across the United States;

Whereas there are more than 24,000 names of fallen law enforcement heroes listed on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial dating back to the first death in the line of duty in 1786;

Whereas the environment for officers has become increasingly more hostile and their safety more precarious;

Whereas 2024 saw the highest officer assault rate of the past 10 years, with nearly 86,000 law enforcement officers assaulted by criminals;

Whereas, in the past 5 years, between 2021 and 2025, 1,744 officers have been shot in the line of duty, and 265 of those officers died;

Whereas nearly 2,600 law enforcement officers in the United States have died in the line of duty during the past decade;

Whereas a law enforcement officer will typically encounter between 400 and 600 traumatic events during the career of the officer, compared with 3 or 4 traumatic events encountered by the average citizen;

Whereas the unusually high number of traumatic events experienced by law enforcement officers has contributed to a 54 percent higher suicide rate among officers than among other workers in the United States;

Whereas, despite recent declines in crime, law enforcement agencies across the United States continue to face dangerously low staffing levels, with the number of sworn officers still more than 5 percent below pre-2020 levels; and

Whereas supporting law enforcement officers with the equipment, training, and funding needed to protect communities from criminal violence has long received overwhelming public support across the political spectrum: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives*
2 *concurring), That Congress—*

3 (1) highly respects and values United States
4 law enforcement professionals and greatly appreciates all that those officers do to protect and serve
5 communities in the United States;

6 (2) remembers and honors those officers and
7 their families who have experienced a death or injury
8 in the line of duty;

9 (3) calls for increased measures to be taken to
10 maximize the safety and well-being of officers, including more policing personnel, improved training
11 and equipment, tough penalties for assaulting or
12 killing a law enforcement professional, and increased
13 mental health resources for officers; and

14 (4) calls on all levels of government to ensure
15 that law enforcement professionals receive the sup-
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1 port and resources needed to keep the United States
2 safe.