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Senator Grassley and Senator Durbin-

The Drug Enforcement Administration Association of Federal Narcotics Agents (DEAFNA) is comprised of current and former Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) agents and personnel who support the DEA in its mission of drug law enforcement.

As you know, the United States is dealing with the worst drug related national security, public safety, and public health crisis in our history. Fentanyl's impact on our communities is devastating, causing irreparable harm to families and triggering crushing economic hardship. Two Mexican Cartels, working with precursor chemical distributors in China, are primarily responsible for the production, transportation, and distribution of this deadly drug. In addition to fentanyl, the production and distribution of methamphetamine, cocaine, and captagon enable criminal enterprises though illicit finance, which destabilizes regions, leads to significant violence, and funds terrorist organizations like Hezbollah. The impact of these transnational criminal organizations degrades our security and causes staggering human and economic impact throughout American communities large and small.

The United States attorney general (AG) is as you are aware the head of the United States Department of Justice (DOJ) and is the chief law enforcement officer of the federal government of the United States. It is critical to the public safety and national security of America that this position be held by a highly qualified capable individual with the experience and dedication to carry out this important mission.

We wholeheartedly support the nomination of Ms. Bondi for Attorney General. Her extensive experience as a prosecutor has equipped her with an unparalleled understanding of the intricacies of our criminal justice system. Throughout her career, Ms. Bondi has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to seeking justice, protecting public safety, and upholding the highest ethical standards. Her proven track record of successfully prosecuting complex cases, coupled with her ability to lead and mentor other attorneys, makes her an ideal candidate for this crucial role. Ms. Bondi's deep knowledge of court systems and established relationships within the legal community will undoubtedly enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of the Department of Justice. Her transition from state Attorney General to U.S. Attorney General would bring a valuable perspective, allowing her to anticipate and counter defense strategies while ensuring fair and just proceedings for all parties involved.

DEAFNA highly recommends President Elect Donald J. Trump's nominee Pam Bondi.

For questions and additional information, please contact executive.director@afna.org.

Thank you for your attention to this vitally important matter.

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