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The Honorable Richard Durbin Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate Washington, DC 20510 The Honorable Charles Grassley Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley,

We write to you today to express our support for the nomination of Lisa O. Monaco to be the next Deputy Attorney General of the United States. The Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association (FLEOA) is the largest nonpartisan, nonprofit professional organization, representing federal law enforcement officers. FLEOA represents more than 30,000 federal law enforcement officers from 65 different agencies. In this role, Lisa Monaco will help lead the Department of Justice in carrying out the enormous responsibility of ensuring that our Constitution, democracy, and the rule of law are protected and preserved throughout the nation.

As Deputy Attorney General, Lisa Monaco will have daily interaction and supervision of the federal law enforcement officers within the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms, U.S. Marshals Service, and Drug Enforcement Administration who work diligently to ensure our nation and its residents are kept safe from a myriad of crimes and violations of federal law. Their successes are tied directly to the support and funding received from the Department of Justice and its leadership, including the Deputy Attorney General.

In our view, Lisa Monaco's past experience as counsel and then Chief of Staff at the FBI where she helped then-Director Robert S. Mueller III transform the agency after 9/11 to focus on preventing terrorist attacks on the United States—Assistant Attorney General for National Security, and an Assistant United States Attorney in the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia makes her extremely qualified for this position. We believe she has the background, experience, and qualifications necessary to help ensure both the DOJ and its law enforcement officers continue to be set up for success.

FLEOA looks forward to working with Lisa Monaco as Deputy Attorney General so that together we can continue to keep our nation safe, ensure the rule of law is adhered to, and reinforce the support for the important work federal law enforcement officers perform every day.

If we can be of any additional assistance, feel free to contact us at <u>fleoa@fleoa.org</u>.

Sincerely,

Larry Cosme

National President Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association

CC: Members, Committee on the Judiciary

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