## NATIONAL SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION



March 2, 2021

President Joseph R. Biden 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

The National Sheriffs' Association (NSA), is proud to represent the 3,080 men and woman around the country who have been called to serve as Sheriff of their county. With these men and women in mind, NSA supports the nomination of Ms. Vanita Gupta as Associate Attorney General of the United States.

Ms. Gupta has an open mind and a strong desire to understand the viewpoint of each stakeholder. To that end, she is able to find common ground with law enforcement, specifically on our shared goal of promoting safe communities and halting burgeoning criminal activities. She knows, as we do, that all Americans have rights. Under her leadership at the Department of Justice, we are hopeful to see those rights respected for law-abiding citizens.

Ms. Gupta has met with and made a commitment of maintaining our open dialog and recognizes that different points of view can reach consensus. We are appreciative of her willingness to have honest and direct conversations with Sheriffs. We are united in our shared duty to keep our communities safe.

We urge the Senate to swiftly confirm the nomination of Ms. Gupta. Should we be able to assist in the process, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

Sheriff David Mahoney, Dane County, WI President, National Sheriffs' Association

Sheriff Vernon Stanforth, Fayette County, OH Chairman of Government Affairs Committee, National Sheriffs' Association

cc: Jonathan Thompson

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