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The Honorable Chuck Grassley
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Sheldon Whitehouse
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Grassley and Senator Whitehouse,

I'm writing on behalf of the Major Cities Chiefs Association (MCCA) to register our support for S. 3697, the *Combating Money Laundering, Terrorist Financing, and Counterfeiting Act of 2022*. The MCCA is a professional association of law enforcement executives representing the largest cities in the United States and Canada.

Transnational criminal organizations, gangs, and other criminal enterprises represent a significant threat to our communities. Whether these entities are involved in drug smuggling, firearms trafficking, or another illicit activity, they also engage in money laundering or commit other financial crimes to clean and conceal the profits from their crimes. MCCA members, through our own investigations and joint efforts with our federal partners, have seen firsthand how targeting criminal organizations' finances can disrupt their operations. S. 3697 will support these efforts by modernizing and strengthening money laundering, counterfeiting, and other financial crime statutes. This will provide law enforcement with additional tools and improve law enforcement's ability to investigate and prosecute criminal organizations and other malicious actors.

Thank you for both your leadership and continued support for law enforcement. Please do not hesitate to contact me if the MCCA can be of additional assistance.

Sincerely,

Jeri Williams
Chief, Phoenix Police Department
President, Major Cities Chiefs Association

Cc: Sen. John Cornyn
Sen. Amy Klobuchar
Sen. Dianne Feinstein

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