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NATIONAL SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION SUPPORTS ELECTRONIC LOGBOOK TO MONITOR THE SALE OF PRECURSOR CHEMICALS USED TO MAKE METHAMPHETAMINE

WHEREAS, the National Sheriffs' Association (NSA) recognizes the devastating scourge methamphetamine has had upon local communities throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, methamphetamine is relatively simple to manufacture and is composed of simple household products; and

WHEREAS, pseudoephedrine and ephedrine are the two main chemicals in methamphetamine, are found in common over-the-counter cold and allergy medicines, and are easily purchased in any pharmacy in the country ; and

WHEREAS, America's 3,088 Offices of Sheriff currently lack the tools necessary to track suspicious purchases of products containing pseudoephedrine and ephedrine; and

WHEREAS, there is a national need among law enforcement to create a pseudo ephedrine and ephedrine electronic logging system to monitor the sale of precursor drug purchases; and

WHEREAS, a national electronic logging system will provide real-time data to law enforcement and pharmacies regarding the sale of precursor drugs, preventing speedy purchasers from visiting multiple pharmacies in order to stockpile methamphetamine precursor drugs; and

WHEREAS, a national electronic logging system will enhance law enforcement's abilities to track and apprehend individuals who appear to be domestically manufacturing methamphetamine; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement agencies are currently experiencing extreme financial constraints across the country, and lack the necessary funds to purchase equipment and tools necessary to participate in a national electronic logging system; and

WHEREAS, there is the need to provide the equipment for a national electronic logging system at no-cost to law enforcement agencies;

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Sheriffs' Association strongly supports the creation of a national pseudo ephedrine and ephedrine point of sale, real-time electronic logging system, and supports the funding of the equipment for a national system at no-cost to law enforcement agencies.

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National Sheriffs' Association 2009 Resolutions