

# NATIONAL SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION



February 11, 2025

The Honorable Chuck Grassley  
U.S. Senate  
135 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20002

The Honorable Mario Diaz-Balart  
U.S. House of Representatives  
374 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Senator Grassley and Congressman Diaz-Balart,

On behalf of the National Sheriffs' Association (NSA), representing 3,081 sheriffs and over 20,000 public safety professionals - including deputies, chiefs of police, and other law enforcement officials across the United States – we write to support the EAGLES Act of 2025.

School shootings are one of the most significant threats to our children and public safety. Proper threat assessment and prevention measures can help law enforcement and other entities step in before we see violence take more lives. The Secret Service's National Threat Assessment Center (NTAC) has been at the forefront of these lifesaving efforts, having developed evidence-based threat assessment procedures that identify and respond to indicators of target violence before it is too late. Through the NTAC, law enforcement and other stakeholders have been able to benefit from research, training, and consulting which have improved their threat assessment capabilities.

The NTAC has already been a valuable tool, with its training and consultation services in high demand from law enforcement, public, and private sector entities. The EAGLES Act of 2025 will only build upon this progress, establishing initiatives to increase school safety, and continuing to work with our law enforcement agencies and partners to keep our communities safe.

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

Sincerely,

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Sheriff Kieran Donahue  
Canyon County, Idaho  
President  
National Sheriffs' Association

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Jonathan Thompson  
Executive Director, CEO  
National Sheriffs' Association