



**September 26, 2025** – (Alexandria, VA). The National Sheriffs' Association (NSA) Executive Director and CEO Jonathan Thompson released the following statement regarding a possible government shutdown:

"Allowing the U.S. Government to close because of political and ideological preferences is a dangerous and failed policy. The safety of our communities relies on the continuity of operations for our government. A government shutdown for one minute is inexcusable and will needlessly make our community ties less safe. Reasonable people can disagree on policies but using a shutdown as a cudgel is pure politics, and it needs to stop."

**About the National Sheriffs' Association**

The National Sheriffs' Association is one of the largest associations of law enforcement professionals in the U.S., representing more than 3,000 elected Sheriffs across the nation, and with a total membership of more than 13,000. NSA is a non-profit organization dedicated to raising the level of professionalism among sheriffs, their deputies, and others in the field of law enforcement, public safety, and criminal justice. Throughout its eighty-four-year history, NSA has also served as an information resource for all law enforcement, as well as state governments and the federal government.

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