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April 14, 2005

Honorable George W. Bush  
President of the United States  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington D. C. 20500

**RE: ENDORSEMENT OF HOUSE RESOLUTION 167**

Dear President Bush:

As members of the Board of Directors of an organization that represents approximately 7000 sworn Deputy Sheriffs and District Attorney Investigators, we know firsthand just how difficult it is for those engaged in military or law enforcement service to protect the public as well as maintain their own safety. We also recognize that the public is frequently unaware of the extreme difficulty placed upon those who serve in military or paramilitary organizations which often requires that irreversible, life and death decisions be made within fractions of a second.

We are certain that you are fully knowledgeable of the incident that gave rise to House Resolution 167 as well as the circumstances that propelled this matter into the public spotlight. We are also familiar with your unflagging record of support and respect for the men and women in uniform that proudly serve this great nation. Certainly, no one is better acquainted with their heroic exploits and the extreme difficulty in which they have been placed than the President of the United States.

Therefore, in keeping House Resolution 167, we respectfully request that you employ your power as Commander In Chief to cause all charges against Second Lieutenant Ilario Pantano to be dismissed.

If there is anything that you believe that this Association can do to assist in this matter, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Roy Burns, President

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