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ERIE COUNTY COMPTROLLER

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John Evans
President
Buffalo Police Benevolent Association
74 Franklin Street
Buffalo NY 14202

Dear President Evans,

Now more than ever, your officers that risk their lives to protect our families need to know they have strong support for the difficult job they are doing under dangerous and deadly circumstances. It is a travesty of justice that two Buffalo Police Officers were charged with felonies, while rioters that attack law enforcement, loot, destroy businesses and burn down buildings are not charged with crimes.

Adding insult to injury, many criminals put behind bars for rioting and causing chaos are quickly set free and put back on the streets, all because radical progressive politicians passed "no-bail" laws that treat some dangerous offenders with kid gloves.

We can have zero tolerance for lawbreakers attacking cops. Bad actors can't justify assaults on law enforcement by wrapping themselves in a cloud of so-called social justice. There is absolutely no place for the poor treatment and disrespect shown to you, our brave heroes.

On the front lines of riots and civil unrest your officers face agitators and extremist radicals who crave anarchy and chaos, and even worse, politicians who now handcuff cops.

The "silent majority" can no longer sit back and let rioters attack police and cripple our communities. It is time for all to lift their voices in strong support of you: the brave men and women of law enforcement. To all police officers in Erie County and across the country: we stand with you. We have your back.

If there is any way you think I can help your officers or police department, do not hesitate to contact my office. I pledge my support in any way you see fit.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Stefan I. Mychajliw, Jr.", is written over a faint, larger version of the same signature.

Stefan I. Mychajliw, Jr.
Erie County Comptroller