

February 8, 2023

The Honorable Representative Josephson Alaska State House of Representatives

Dear Representative Josephson:

On behalf of the Alaska Peace Officers Association (APOA), I am writing to convey our support of HB15, "An Act relating to peer support counseling programs for law enforcement agencies, emergency service providers, and the Department of Corrections."

We thank you for considering the emotional and moral support for our peace officers across the state and appreciate the intention of this bill, especially the guarantee of confidentiality.

Please contact the APOA office in Anchorage at 907-277-0515 if there is anything our organization can do to help with the passage of this bill. Thank you for your commitment and dedication to our state.

Sincerely.

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About APOA

The Alaska Peace Officers Association (APOA) is a dynamic, professional and non-partisan organization. Our membership consists of law enforcement, corrections, prosecutors, security professionals and others at the local, state and federal levels. APOA has served as a voice for peace officers and issues impacting the law enforcement profession for over half a century. We are one of the oldest and largest 501c(3) charitable, nonprofit organizations in Alaska. www.apoaonline.org