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The Honorable Dr. Brian Babin U.S. House of Representatives 2236 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Babin,

On behalf of the National District Attorneys Association (NDAA), the largest prosecutor organization representing 2,500 elected and appointed District Attorneys across the United States as well as 40,000 Assistant District Attorneys, I write in continued support of H.R. 838, the *Threat Assessment, Prevention, and Safety Act*.

As you know, the United States has been impacted by frequent incidents of targeted violence. Often, law enforcement and prosecutors face the daunting task of responding to these tragedies and ensuring justice for the victims. NDAA is confident that the *Threat Assessment, Prevention, and Safety Act* takes important steps to ensure the safety of our communities by establishing a Joint Threat Assessment and Management Task Force. Including federal, state, local and tribal prosecutors and law enforcement in the legislation ensures the Task Force is well-equipped to provide guidelines, practices, and standards to prevent future targeted acts of violence.

NDAA is committed to continually working alongside our law enforcement and mental health partners to find comprehensive solutions to the recent uptick in violent incidents such as the shootings in California and Pennsylvania. Our members look forward to providing the prosecutor's perspective to the Task Force and encourage your colleagues to join you in this important effort.

We appreciate your commitment to make our communities safer and look forward to working alongside your staff to move this bipartisan legislation forward.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Blodgett

President