



May 8, 2025

The Honorable Norma Torres  
United States House of Representatives  
2227 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Brian Fitzpatrick  
United States House of Representatives  
271 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Amy Klobuchar  
United States Senate  
425 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20002

The Honorable Marsha Blackburn  
United States Senate  
357 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20002

Dear Congresswoman Torres, Congressman Fitzpatrick, Senator Klobuchar, and Senator Blackburn:

On behalf of the Major County Sheriffs of America (MCSA), I write to express our strong support for the Supporting Accurate Views of Emergency Services (911 SAVES) Act (H.R. 637). We also support the inclusion of its provisions in the Enhancing First Response Act (S. 725).

As a professional association of elected Sheriffs from the most populous counties in the United States—serving communities of over 400,000 residents—we deeply value the critical role public safety telecommunicators play in protecting the public and ensuring the safety of our deputies.

The 911 SAVES Act would reclassify 911 dispatchers and public safety telecommunicators from “Office and Administrative Support” occupations to “Protective Service” occupations under the Office of Management and Budget’s Standard Occupational Classification system. This long-overdue and necessary change accurately reflects the true nature of their work - lifesaving, high-stress, and essential to effective emergency response.

We were proud to support this legislation in the last Congress, and we are pleased to see it reintroduced with bipartisan support in both the House and Senate. We remain committed to collaborating with you to advance this important legislation and urge its prompt consideration and passage.

Thank you for your leadership and continued commitment to supporting our nation’s law enforcement professionals and first responders.

Sincerely,

Megan E. Noland  
Executive Director  
Major County Sheriffs of America

CC:

The Honorable John Thune, Majority Leader, US Senate

The Honorable Chuck Schumer, Minority Leader, US Senate

The Honorable Mike Johnson, Speaker, US House of Representatives

The Honorable Hakeem Jeffries, Minority Leader, US House of Representatives

The Honorable Ted Cruz, Chairman, US Senate Committee on Commerce, Science & Transportation

The Honorable Maria Cantwell, Ranking Member, US Senate Committee on Commerce, Science & Transportation