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The Honorable Loni Hancock
Chair, Senate Public Safety Committee
State Capitol, Room 2082
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Senate Bill 955: SUPPORT

Dear Senator Hancock:

On behalf of California Statewide Law Enforcement Association and our 7,000 public safety professionals, we support SB 955 (Senators Mitchell and Lieu) which would add human trafficking to the list of crimes for which a district attorney or the Attorney General may apply to intercept wire, oral or other electronic communications. The measure also extends the authorization for such intercepts until January 1, 2020.

The ability of law enforcement to intercept communications involving serious crimes is an important crime-fighting tool. The extension of this authority to the crime of human trafficking is long overdue, given the major traumatic and long-lasting effect that this offense has on its victims.

We urge your support for this important measure. If there is any way in which we may be of further assistance, please feel free to give me a call.

Sincerely,

Alan Wayne Barcelona
Special Agent, DOJ
President, CSLEA

CC: Senators Mitchell and Lieu
Ms. Alison Anderson, Chief Counsel, Senate Public Safety Committee
Mr. Eric Csizmar, Senate Republican Caucus