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To Whom It May Concern:

The National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE) was founded in September 1976 during a three-day symposium to address crime in low-income urban areas. The symposium was co-sponsored by the Police Foundation and the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (LEAA). The Georgia Chapter of NOBLE was founded in 1984. Our mission is to ensure EQUITY IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE in the provision of public service to all communities, and to serve as the conscience of law enforcement by being committed to JUSTICE BY ACTION. The goal of NOBLE is to be recognized as a highly competent, public service organization that is at the forefront of providing solutions to law enforcement issues and concerns, as well as to the ever-changing needs of our communities.

Police agencies around the world share common concerns such as building community trust, dealing with the mentally ill, preventing terrorism, and use of technology to assist in prevention and resolution of crime. One of the most effective means of addressing these concerns is found through organizations that provide professional peer-to-peer executive law enforcement exchanges with police agencies globally. NOBLE recognizes and supports such organizations and programs.

Many of our members, including board members, have participated in these valuable exchanges to ensure that our law enforcement leaders are best equipped to address current issues facing law enforcement and utilize best police practices to the betterment of their community.

NOBLE's Georgia Chapter emphatically rejects claims that some of these professional training programs are being used to train law enforcement in tactical or military operational techniques designed to oppress minorities or other members of their communities (characterized as "deadly exchange"). Not only do such claims lack any foundation in the facts or histories of such exchanges, but the inflammatory causal attribution that such training leads to deadly encounters in the U.S. is utterly fallacious and slanderous.

NOBLE's Georgia Chapter appreciates the long standing track record of organizations that deliver leadership development training with high professional standards, the innovative approaches that have been introduced and the measurable value these programs have added to the law enforcement community. Therefore, we fully endorse and support the Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange (GILEE).

NOBLE's Georgia Chapter is looking forward to continue its productive relationship with GILEE, and with all organizations that promote professional exchanges, for many years to come.

Sincerely,

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