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US Park Police Fraternal Order of Police Endorses Papathanasiou for Capitol Police Union Chair:

“Our Brothers and Sisters in Blue Need an Effective Advocate, Not Biased Political Bluster”

The Chairman of the US Park Police Fraternal Order of Police (USPPFOP), Kenneth Spencer, announced today that the USPPFOP “strongly and enthusiastically” endorses the reelection of Gus Papathanasiou as chairman of the U.S. Capitol Police Labor Committee. Officers of the Capitol Police union will cast their votes in an upcoming November 18th election.

Spencer cited three cornerstone reasons that led to the USPPFOP’s endorsement of Papathanasiou, beginning with the need for effective and strategic urban federal law enforcement partnerships. “Gus understands and has helped foster the important interconnection that exists between officers at the Capitol Police, the US Park Police, the Metropolitan Police, the US Secret Service Uniformed Division among others,” said Spencer. “We are a team that is proud to protect and serve the nation’s capital through collaboration and support for one another.”

Spencer added that police unions thrive when its leadership is focused on policy over politics. “Gus understands that our officers can, should, and do have allies on both sides of the aisle but, unfortunately, some would rather carry water for one political party regardless of what is in the best interest of officers. Our brothers and sisters in blue need an effective advocate, not biased political bluster,” said Spencer.

“Finally, Gus has a remarkably strong track record for navigating complex policy issues in the face of the truly challenging circumstances officers have faced over the last 24 months. Gus doesn’t let Washington drama or the daily political winds distract him from working towards the union’s objectives. Gus is a pro-officer workhorse and the union has no need for a self-serving showhorse,” said Spencer.

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