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## **Largest Statewide Law Enforcement Association in the Nation Responds to President Biden's Executive Order on Police Reform**

*President Biden Issues Executive Order, Bringing Some of California's Landmark Law Enforcement Policies to the Federal Level*

**Sacramento, CA** — Today, President Biden released an Executive Order on police reform that includes feedback provided by the [Peace Officers Research Association of California \(PORAC\)](#) on behalf of more than 75,000 public safety members and more than 940 associations. Since an earlier version of the Executive Order was leaked out of the Administration in January of this year, PORAC has been working closely with the Administration and federal leaders to provide recommendations to balance considerations of safety and wellness for both the nation's communities as well as the officers who serve them. PORAC was pleased to see that many of these recommendations were considered and included in the final Order that was signed today.

"After several months of advocating for necessary changes to President Biden's draft Executive Order, we are pleased to see that his Administration valued PORAC's expertise and incorporated many of our proposed changes into today's Executive Order," said **PORAC President Brian Marvel**. "PORAC is also proud that many of the policies included in President Biden's Executive Order mirror those that we've already enacted here in California, and we look forward to continuing to serve as a resource for how California's smart public safety policies can be implemented at the federal level."

In response to the initial leak of the Executive Order, PORAC shared [two letters and an edited version of the Order](#) with the President to urge bi-partisan congressional action to ensure sufficient buy-in from the law enforcement profession and to avoid any unintended negative consequences his proposals may have on American public safety, while requesting the funding that will be necessary to see the changes implemented. More recently, PORAC led a coalition of fellow statewide law enforcement associations to [send yet another letter](#), this time to the House leadership urging them to continue their progress on a bi-partisan legislative approach.

While today's Executive Order largely applies only to federal law enforcement officers, PORAC will continue to be a partner in advancing federal legislation to improve public safety, especially for reforms that apply to non-federal officers. PORAC continues to affirm the organization's strong belief that the most effective way to approach public safety reform is through bi-partisan congressional action and through a collaborative process with all stakeholders, including law enforcement. Most importantly, real improvements to any public organization or service require new funding to ensure changes are successfully implemented.

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**About the Peace Officers Research Association of California:**

The Peace Officers Research Association of California (PORAC) was incorporated in 1953 as a professional federation of local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies. PORAC represents over 75,000 public safety members and over 940 associations, making it the largest law enforcement organization in California and the largest statewide association in the nation.