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## Largest Statewide Law Enforcement Association in the Nation Responds to Protestors Storming the U.S. Capitol Building

Peace Officers Research Association of California Condemns Violence, Calls for a Return to Civil Discourse

**Sacramento, CA** — Today, as protestors breach the United States Capitol Building, delaying confirmation by the House and the Senate of the results of the November 3<sup>rd</sup> general election – injuring multiple police officers and threatening the safety of our elected leaders in the process – the Peace Officers Research Association of California (PORAC) is condemning the violence as an affront to our democracy and calling for a return to civility in the expression of political opinions.

"Today's violent breach of the U.S. Capitol Building is reprehensible and belies the values and traditions upon which this country was built," **said Brian Marvel, President of the Peace Officers Research Association of California.** "Respect for the rule of law and those sworn to uphold it are at the foundation of our democracy. We stand in solidarity with the men and women in law enforcement who are on the front lines of defending and upholding the law of the land. Regardless of where we stand politically, we are all Americans, and must return immediately to the civil discourse that is the heart of our great American experiment."

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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 77,000 public safety members and over 920 associations, making it the largest law enforcement organization in California and the largest statewide association in the nation.