

We the undersigned wish to express our support for the Statement of Principles on Violent Crime. This document outlines the current problems facing our nation today when it comes to the unprecedented rise in violent crime, and more importantly, the solutions on how to curb this rise and bring safety, prosperity, and order to our communities.

Communities big and small have felt the impact of this violent crime wave. From 2019 to 2020, homicides rose over 30%. Assaults, domestic violence, and carjackings are occurring at rates unseen in many US cities, often done by children as young as twelve. Daily activities we would not think twice about have taken on a new sense of fear and uncertainty.

Without public safety, social order fails and communities cannot reach their full potential. Crime forces businesses to close, makes schools unsafe, and tears families and neighborhoods apart.

The Statement of Principles provides a blueprint for what policymakers, law enforcement, community leaders, and the general public can do to help bring safety to our streets. They are based on the successes other jurisdictions have had in curbing violent crime and restoring order to their cities.

While law enforcement play an important role in bringing this needed order, they cannot do it alone. It will take a shared commitment from all of us to break this current cycle of crime and bring permanent safety, prosperity, and happiness to our neighborhoods again.

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