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ROBERT E. WALKUP

February 17, 2010

The Honorable Gabrielle Giffords
U.S. House of Representatives
1728 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congresswoman Giffords:

I strongly endorse Chief Villaseñor's request of \$494,300 in funding for Pima County/Tucson Metropolitan Counter Narcotics Alliance (CNA) to establish an innovative approach to reverse undercover operations. This funding is necessary to provide the resources needed to obtain evidence through the interception of electronic communications combined with surveillance of suspects who are brokering large narcotics transactions. These investigative opportunities will allow our officers to disrupt and dismantle drug trafficking organizations operating both locally and across the country. Even more importantly, this approach to these dangerous investigations will provide investigators valuable information that will make the undercover operations safer for our agents.

Thank you for your strong support to the City of Tucson and the Tucson Police Department.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Walkup
Mayor

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