Congress of the United States

Washington, D.C. 20515

September 27, 2021

The Honorable John G. Roberts, Jr. Chief Justice of the United States The Supreme Court of the United States 1 First Street NE Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chief Justice Roberts:

In light of the end of bicameral, bipartisan negotiations on police reform legislation, we ask that you require all uniformed U.S. Supreme Court police officers to use body and dashboard cameras.

In particular, we urge you to implement the policies outlined in the Federal Police Camera and Accountability Act (H.R. 1163), which directs all uniformed federal police officers to wear body cameras and all marked federal police cars to have dashboard cameras. The bill has already passed the House of Representatives twice as part of the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act.

We originally introduced this legislation following the November 2017 fatal shooting of unarmed 25-year-old Bijan Ghaisar by U.S. Park Police officers. Footage of the shooting was captured by a dashboard camera in the marked car of a Fairfax County Police officer who responded to the scene. Without that footage, the Ghaisar family and the public would not have known the circumstances surrounding Bijan Ghaisar's death.

It is important that the U.S. Supreme Court police officers use body and dashboard cameras to protect themselves and the public.

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