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Mayor and City Council City of Columbia 701 East Broadway P.O. Box 6015 Columbia, Mo 65205

Dear Mayor Buffaloe and City Council Members,

I'm writing on behalf of the CID Board of Directors to express our support for Columbia Police Department in pursuing the unified real-time security camera system, FUSUS. Along with this support, we ask for a strong emphasis on public education of the system before it begins installation.

Safety is one of our top priorities, even more so this last year. Allowing CPD to access real-time cameras without needing to go door to door to find camera footage or wait for a response from a busy business owner for their camera footage. This type of system will significantly increase crime response time.

We ask for public education about the system so the public may feel comfortable knowing what it can and cannot do and how it will be used. So that the public knows that businesses and individuals have full knowledge that this is an opt-in system and no one business camera will be used without their consent.

Thank you for your consideration. Don't hesitate to get in touch with me anytime with questions.

Many thanks,

Nickie Davis Executive Director

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