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**Sheriffs of Illinois PAC Launch “Sheriffs’ Star” Legislative
Endorsement**

Springfield, Ill. — **Sheriffs of Illinois PAC** today announced the launch of its “Sheriffs’ Star” legislative endorsement program. The program will further engage Illinois Sheriffs in the policy-making process. It is now more important than ever that law enforcement have legislators that value the protections and services provided by law enforcement.

“We all want safe communities. One of the best ways to achieve that is by building stronger relationships between law enforcement and the elected officials from the communities we both serve,” Chairman Dwight Baird (Kendall County Sheriff), **said. “The law enforcement community has been under intense scrutiny and attack.** We feel it is vitally important that we do more to engage our policy-makers to help explain our priorities and the priorities of our communities.”

The Sheriffs of Illinois PAC is a bipartisan and voluntary political fund. This program offers support to politicians who stand up for Sheriffs and all of law enforcement in their effort to protect law abiding citizens. Politicians that demonstrate these aspects would be considered recipients of the “Sheriffs’ Star”.

The Sheriffs of Illinois PAC will determine which candidates merit endorsement. The endorsement will be determined, in large part, by the annual evaluation of voting records on legislative issues of importance to Sheriffs.

“It is our hope that this program will help law enforcement support the many legislators that do so much for our communities and make our constituents aware of those that make our constitutional responsibilities increasingly difficult,” said Chairman Baird.

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