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## **LAAPOA Endorses Ted Lieu for State Attorney General**

**Los Angeles, CA** – After a thorough review of the candidates for State Attorney General in 2010, the Los Angeles Airport Peace Officers Association is announcing its plans to support Ted Lieu. Elected in 2005, Assemblyman Lieu represents the 53<sup>rd</sup> District, which stretches from Venice and parts of Los Angeles to Torrance and Lomita. Before taking his seat in the Assembly, Lieu served on the Torrance City Council. In addition to his Assembly duties, Lieu serves as a major in the U.S. Air Force Reserves, following four years of active duty as a member of the JAG Corps, where he was a military prosecutor and adviser to commanders.

“Ted Lieu has been very active in the Assembly introducing legislation to protect victims, help them get justice and assist law enforcement on all fronts,” says Marshall McClain, President of the L.A. Airport Peace Officers Association. “He has the background, experience and genuine concern for public safety that is needed in the Office of Attorney General.”

Assemblyman Lieu authored and passed AB 2052, legislation that allows victims of domestic violence, sexual abuse and stalking to terminate residential leases without undue hardship as they try to escape their predators. He also wrote AB 532, which gives law enforcement the ability to seize firearms and other deadly weapons to protect victims of domestic violence. For sex-crime victims, Lieu has introduced AB 383 to extend the time law enforcement has to process biological evidence for the courts.

“Assemblyman Ted Lieu has worked hard to make this state a safer place,” affirms McClain. “He not only talks about making public safety his number-one priority, he has a record to prove his commitment to law enforcement: supporting legislation to help police prevent crime, fighting proposed staffing cuts to police officers and firefighters, ensuring adequate compensation for injured first responders and protecting hard-earned pensions. Lieu has earned our support.”

The Los Angeles Airport Peace Officers Association, representing 423 sworn police and firefighters, is tasked with protecting all the city's airports, including LAX, the world's fifth busiest airport.

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