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The Honorable Paul Ryan
Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Speaker Ryan:

The Florida Sheriffs Association strongly supports H.R. 320 "Rapid DNA Act of 2016." We are pleased that Representative Jim Sensenbrenner has sponsored this critically important legislation as DNA plays a vital role in solving crimes.

The Rapid DNA Act will benefit innocent suspects by enabling speedy exoneration while ensuring that people connected to unsolved crimes are not released on bail due to delays in testing. This legislation will also aid law enforcement agencies in their allocation of investigative resources and protect our citizens from further victimization by repeat offenders.

The Florida Sheriffs Association urges the U.S. House of Representatives to join members of the U.S. Senate, who have already passed companion bill S. 2348 and are bringing H.R. 320 to a vote on the House floor.

On behalf of the 67 Florida sheriffs, thank you for your consideration of this matter and for your continued support of public safety.

Sincerely,

Sheriff Jerry L. Demings
President, Florida Sheriffs Association