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Keiser University Attn: President Winslow 6430 Southpoint Pkwy #100 Jacksonville, FL 32216

Re: Appropriation for eighteen MILO Range M-SATS

Dear President Winslow,

As you are aware, Putnam County Sheriff's Office (PCSO) takes pride in the variety and amount of training provided to our dedicated law enforcement officers (LEO). While we offer training on a regular basis, our sworn officers can never have too many opportunities for continued education and resources to prepare them for anything they may encounter in the field. PCSO is fortunate to have Keiser University (KU) as a training partner willing to go above and beyond to provide academic programs and technology to benefit current and future officers.

Such technology includes the state-of-the-practice virtual training system, MILO Range M-SATS (Mobile-Situational Awareness Training System). The addition of MILO Range M-SATS at the KU Jacksonville campus and all other KU campuses will not only prepare those studying for careers in law enforcement but will also provide an outstanding opportunity for continuing education for those officers currently serving the many citizens of Florida. I have no doubt that the M-SATS will provide a comprehensive and immersive training experience and complement the education already provided to the students at KU and officers here at the Sheriff's Office.

In addition, not all 37 accredited Criminal Justice Training Centers throughout Florida are equipped with this technology or are easily accessible for officers. Keiser University has 21 campuses conveniently located throughout the state and, if this appropriation is approved, KU will have the opportunity to provide future and current officers in Florida with easy access to training and development opportunities that they may not have access to otherwise.

As Sheriff of Putnam County, I wholeheartedly support Keiser University in requesting funding for eighteen MILO Range M-SATS to be housed at all KU campuses across the state to broaden traditional academic standards and practices and better prepare current and future law enforcement officers in the great state of Florida.

Thank you so much for informing me of this initiative Keiser University has undertaken statewide and allowing me to speak on behalf of Putnam County Sheriff's Office and the outstanding men and women who wear the uniform and badge daily!

Respectfully,

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