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The Honorable Bennie Thompson
Chairman
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US House of Representatives
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The Honorable John Katko
Ranking Member
Committee on Homeland Security
US House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Thompson, Ranking Member Katko, and Members of the House
Homeland Security Committee:

We write to thank you for your long-standing support for the Federal Emergency
Management Agency's (FEMA) Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP). Without your
leadership in funding this program, millions of Americans would not be able to protect
themselves and their nonprofits from threats.

As it stands, NSGP is currently funded at \$180 million. However, in 2021 alone, there were
over \$400 million in grant applications. Americans are currently facing a heightened threat
environment. This is demonstrated by the FBI's recent threat assessment that warned
nonprofits, specifically houses of worship, that they are at an ongoing high risk of attack
from domestic and foreign terrorists. Given this knowledge, the disparity between NSGP
funding and grant applications is simply unacceptable.

The recently introduced Nonprofit Security Grant Program Improvement Act of 2022,
H.R. 6825, provides a solution to this disparity. It would authorize \$500 million to provide
life-saving security enhancements to nonprofits. Importantly, it would also establish a grant
office at FEMA to help manage and administer the grant.

The Orthodox Union Advocacy Center strongly endorses this bill and is committed to
gathering widespread support for it. We are immensely grateful for your leadership in
Congress and look forward to continuing working with you and your staff to ensure that
NSGP is funded to meet the needs of all Americans.

Respectfully,

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