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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing this letter in support of Dirigo Safety, LLC in recognition of the excellent training programs they currently provide to law enforcement in the State of Maine, as well as their management of the Maine Law Enforcement Accreditation Program.

Approximately six years ago a committee of Maine law enforcement administrators were assembled to establish a state accreditation program under the auspices of the *Maine Chiefs of Police Association*. Once the program was established it was slow to develop and we realized we needed someone to manage the program.

In 2020 the association issued an RFP to manage the program from which Dirigo Safety, LLC was selected and awarded the contract. Since the award of the contract in September of 2020 the program has blossomed with eight departments currently accredited and a number of agencies in the final stages of preparation for their assessment.

While Dirigo Safety, LLC works under the guidance of the MLEAP Committee they are the ones who have organized and trained the assessors, interacted with the chief of a department preparing for their assessment, and then coordinated the assessment.

As the Executive Director of the *Maine Chiefs of Police Association* I offer this letter as my support for Dirigo Safety, LLC and I am happy to answer any questions you may have related to their performance.

Chief Edward J. Tolan (Ret.)

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