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NASCO ENDORSES “SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING” ACT TO PROTECT CITIZENS WHO REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY

Act would expand liability protections for individuals who report suspicious, terrorist-related activity

(Washington, D.C.) – The National Association of Security Companies (NASCO) today endorsed the *See Something, Say Something Act* (H.R. 963), by Congressman Lamar Smith (R—21st District Texas), Chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, calling it sensible policy that expands protections against lawsuits for individuals who provide good faith reports of suspicious terrorist-related activity to an authorized official. The legislation will further encourage citizens to take an active role in reporting suspicious activity without fear of legal retribution.

“Protecting our country from another terrorist attack is not just the responsibility of law enforcement and our intelligence agencies, but every citizen,” said NASCO Executive Director Jeff Flint. “In the years since the terrorist attacks of 9/11, elected leaders have repeatedly called on everyday people to be the eyes and ears looking out for the next potential terrorist act. By this Act, Congress will give weight to that request by providing common-sense protections to citizens who do just that. This will help further a vigilant mindset among our citizens.”

The bill was passed out of the House Judiciary Committee in late July. NASCO applauds the efforts of members of Congress who have sponsored and supported legislation to bring reasonable legal safeguards to courageous, watchful citizens and looks forward to working with Congressman Smith to pass this important legislation.

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