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Dear Neighbor,

America is experiencing a moment of national anguish as we grieve for those killed by police brutality and racial injustice.

As a former mayor, I understand the importance of good policing in our neighborhood and that our police should be guardians, not warriors. But defunding police is not the answer. Instead we need to reform policies and procedures.

That's why I am proud to cosponsor a new, transformative police reform proposal that addresses police brutality and racial injustice—the *Justice in Policing Act*—which I talk about in my [video](#) below.



This new bill would increase police accountability and improve transparency to protect every American's right to safety and justice. Here's how:

**Increase Police Accountability:** Hold police accountable in our court system by changing the standard for prosecuting police misconduct and making it easier for people to sue officers who violate their Constitutional rights.

**Improve Transparency:** Prevent problem-officers from moving between departments to avoid accountability through the collection of better and more accurate data on police misconduct and the creation of a National Police Misconduct Registry.

**Improve Training and Practices:** Ban no-knock warrants and chokeholds, limit the transfer of

military-grade equipment to state and local law enforcement, require the additional use of body cameras, and mandate training on racial bias and the duty to intervene.

**Make Lynching a Federal Crime:** This bill will make it a federal crime to conspire to violate existing federal hate crime laws.

The *Justice in Policing Act* already has over 200 cosponsors and is expected to pass the House by the end of the month. Then it will go to the Senate, where I hope our Senators listen to the demands of the American people calling for change.

Every American has a right to safety and justice.

This bill is a bold step toward that goal—and is just part of the efforts that must be pursued at every level of society for racial equity, including in education, healthcare, and the workforce.

## POLL

**DO YOU SUPPORT OUTFITTING POLICE OFFICERS WITH BODY CAMERAS AND TRAINING THEM TO AVOID USING FORCE?**

YES

NO

*\*By responding to this survey, you will be automatically subscribed to my newsletter.*

Please remember that we are still in the midst of the coronavirus pandemic, and it is all our responsibilities to keep our communities safe.

Please continue to, [follow the CDC's best practices](#) and rely on the [CDC](#), [Palm Beach County Health Department](#), and [Florida Health Department](#) for the most accurate and up-to-date information on confirmed cases.

Please also consider registering to vote-by-mail for the upcoming elections [here](#).

It's also not too late to participate in the 2020 Census! Your participation can help make sure your community gets the funding it needs to thrive. [Click here](#) to fill out a safe, secure census form.

If you have questions, please feel free to reach out to my office in Boca Raton or D.C. by calling the numbers listed below. For regular updates, follow me on social media @RepLoisFrankel.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lois J. Frankel". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

# Congresswoman Lois Frankel

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