

# Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

December 19, 2025

The Honorable Josh Shapiro  
Governor of Pennsylvania  
501 North 3rd Street  
508 Main Capitol Building  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Governor Shapiro,

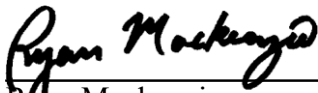
We write as members of Pennsylvania's Congressional delegation to express our serious concern regarding efforts to restrict or end Pennsylvania's participation in the International Justice & Public Safety Network (Nlets), including any effort to limit federal agency access.

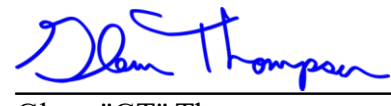
Nlets, founded in 1967, is a secure, state-managed network connecting more than 45,000 law enforcement agencies across the United States and Canada.<sup>1</sup> It provides real-time access to driver license and vehicle registration information, criminal history, warrants, sex-offender records, and other critical data, enabling law enforcement to respond immediately to violent crime, human trafficking, drug smuggling, and the apprehension of fugitives. Officers rely on Nlets to verify identities in seconds, including through driver license photos, which are often essential in missing persons cases, stolen vehicle investigations, and other urgent matters.

Any attempt to restrict federal access to Nlets in order to block enforcement of federal law would significantly slow investigations, put Pennsylvanians at risk, and shift the burden of processing requests onto state agencies, including the DMV and state police without improving public safety. Limiting access would also disrupt real-time collaboration with federal and out-of-state law enforcement, hinder cross-jurisdictional investigations, and create operational gaps that could have severe consequences for community safety.

We are deeply alarmed by the notion of altering Pennsylvania's participation in Nlets for partisan or political reasons. This system is a proven and essential tool that protects Pennsylvanians, supports the swift apprehension of dangerous individuals, and ensures law enforcement agencies can coordinate effectively across jurisdictions. Any effort to curtail or restrict participation would place the safety of residents and officers at unnecessary risk.

Sincerely,

  
Ryan Mackenzie  
Member of Congress

  
Glenn "GT" Thompson  
Member of Congress

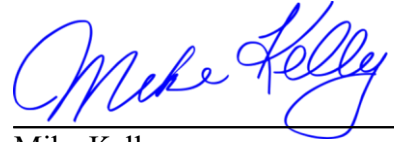
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<sup>1</sup> <https://nlets.org/resources/blog/nlets-101>



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