HOUSE COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY SUBCOMMITTEE ON CRIME AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SURVEILLANCE

"The Fentanyl Crisis in America: Inaction is No Longer an Option" March 1, 2023

Questions for the Record from Congresswoman Cori Bush

- 1. Which President sought to eliminate the Office of National Drug Control Policy entirely?
- 2. Is it true that this fiscal year, almost 97 percent of all fentanyl seizures are happening at ports of entry, and in 2021, U.S. citizens accounted for 86.3 percent of fentanyl trafficking convictions, compared to just 8.9 percent for undocumented immigrants?
- 3. Is it true that of the millions of undocumented migrants who have been apprehended for crossing the border between ports of entry, only .02 percent of those possessed any fentanyl whatsoever?
- 4. Have criminalization, mandatory minimums, and enforcement-based strategies deployed over the last 50 years ended the crisis of addiction and overdoses in this country?
- 5. What does a public health, holistic, evidence-based strategy that includes harm-reduction strategies to tackle this crisis look like?