



Office of the Attorney General
Washington, D. C. 20530

August 13, 2025

Gavin Newsom
Governor of California
c/o David B. Sapp, Legal Affairs Secretary
1021 O Street, Suite 9000
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Governor Newsom,

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Pamela Bondi
Attorney General

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Jared Polis
Governor of Colorado
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Ned Lamont
Governor of Connecticut
c/o Natalie Braswell, General Counsel
210 Capitol Avenue
Hartford, CT 06106

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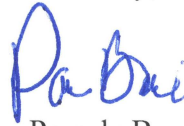
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Matt Meyer
Governor of Delaware
c/o Office of the General Counsel
820 N. French Street, 12th Floor
Wilmington, DE 19801

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JB Pritzker
Governor of Illinois
c/o Office of the General Counsel
401 S. Spring Street
Springfield, IL 62704

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Tim Walz
Governor of Minnesota
c/o Mary Fee, General Counsel and
Deputy Chief of Staff
75 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
St. Paul, MN 55155

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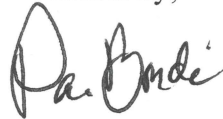
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Kathy Hochul
Governor of New York
c/o Office of the General Counsel
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Albany, New York 12224

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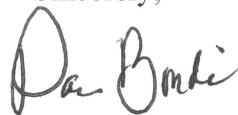
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Tina Kotek
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Salem, OR 97301

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Dan McKee
Governor of Rhode Island
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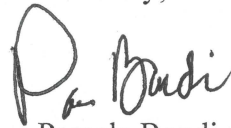
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Office of the Attorney General

Washington, D. C. 20530

August 13, 2025

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County Board President of Cook County, Illinois
c/o Office of the General Counsel
118 N. Clark Street
Chicago, IL 60602

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Terra Lawson-Remer
Chair of Board of Supervisors of San Diego County, California
c/o Office of the General Counsel
1600 Pacific Highway, Room 310
San Diego, CA 92101

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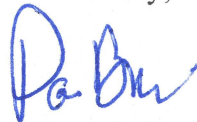
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Rafael Mandelman
President of the Board of Supervisors of San Francisco County, California
c/o Office of the City Attorney
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
City Hall, Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

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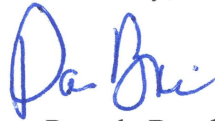
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Mayor of Albuquerque, New Mexico
c/o Lauren Keefe, City Attorney
1 Civic Plaza N.W., 11th Floor
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Mayor of Berkeley, California
c/o Farimah Brown, City Attorney
2180 Milvia Street, 5th Floor
Berkeley, CA 94704

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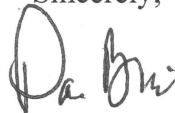
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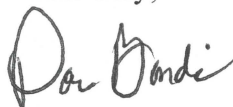
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Office of the Attorney General

Washington, D. C. 20530

August 13, 2025

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Mayor of East Lansing, Michigan
c/o Office of the General Counsel
410 Abbot Road, Room 100
East Lansing, MI 48823

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Mayor of Hoboken, New Jersey
c/o Brian J. Aloia, Corporation Counsel
94 Washington St.
Hoboken, NJ 07030

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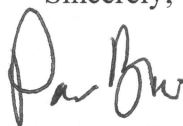
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Mayor of Jersey City, New Jersey
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280 Grove Street, 2nd Floor
Jersey City, NJ 07302

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Mayor of Los Angeles, California
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200 North Main Street #800
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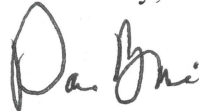
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1300 Perdido St., 2nd Floor East
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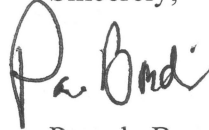
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c/o Muriel Goode-Trufant
Corporation Counsel
100 Church Street
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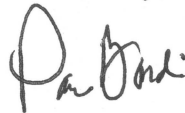
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Ras Baraka
Mayor of Newark, New Jersey
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920 Mayor Kenneth A. Gibson Blvd.
Newark, NJ 07102

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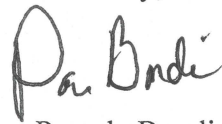
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Mayor of Paterson, New Jersey
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155 Market Street
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Cherelle Parker
Mayor of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
c/o Renee Garcia
City Solicitor
City of Philadelphia Law Dept
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Office of the Attorney General
Washington, D. C. 20530

August 13, 2025

Keith Wilson
Mayor of Portland, Oregon
c/o Robert L. Taylor, City Attorney
1221 S.W. 4th Avenue, Ste. 340
Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mayor Wilson,

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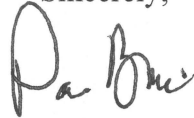
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Malik Evans
Mayor of Rochester, New York
c/o Patrick Beath, Corporation Counsel
30 Church St., Room 308A
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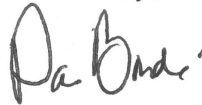
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Bruce Harrell
Mayor of Seattle, Washington
c/o Ann Davison, City Attorney
600 4th Avenue, 7th Floor
Seattle, WA 98104

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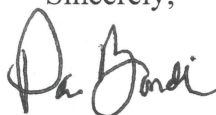
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Daniel Lurie
Mayor of San Francisco, California
c/o David Chiu, City Attorney
1 Dr Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Rm. 200
San Francisco, CA 94102

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