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Melody A. Currey, Commissioner
Department of Motor Vehicles
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Wethersfield, CT 06161

Dear Commissioner Currey:

It has been brought to our attention that the Department of Motor Vehicles' planned launch of an undocumented immigrant driver's license program has been delayed from September to December of this year. We are writing to you today to seek clarification on the motives behind this delay.

Some media reports have attributed this delay to a request from the governor's administration seeking to postpone program implementation until after November elections. As you are aware, the immigrant 'drive only' licenses have been a controversial issue in Connecticut. We are sure you can understand why, in an election year, a delay of such a debated program initially championed by the governor can be interpreted as a political action. Therefore, we ask that you explain completely the decision to delay the program and disclose any and all communication between your office and the governor's administration including the Office of Policy and Management concerning this issue.

Specifically, we ask that you provide us with answers to the following questions:

- 1) When was the decision to launch the program in September made, and who participated in the decision making?
- 2) When was the decision to delay the program until after September made, and who participated in the decision making?
- 3) Was the Department of Motor Vehicles ever asked to delay the program? If so, by whom?
- 4) What contributing factors were considered when making the decision to delay the program?
- 5) For what reason is a 3 month delay necessary? Why not a shorter period of time?

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- 6) Did the Department of Motor Vehicles discuss, at any time, with anyone, the possibility of delaying the program until after November elections?
- 7) Did the Department of Motor Vehicles discuss, at any time, with anyone, the possibility of delaying the program so that few licenses could be obtained prior to the January inauguration?
- 8) When did the Department of Motor Vehicles, or any deciding body involved with the immigrant license program, first discuss the delay with OPM, the governor and/or his administration? Please provide us with a complete timeline of conversations with the governor's administration and OPM concerning this program delay.

We thank you for your prompt attention.

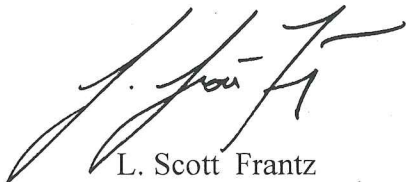
Sincerely,



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cc: Mike Bzdyra, Legislative Liaison, Department of Motor Vehicles