

December 21, 2016

The Honorable Chuck Grassley Chairman Senate Judiciary Committee United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510 The Honorable Dianne Feinstein Ranking Member Senate Judiciary Committee United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Feinstein:

On behalf of Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA) and our more than 5,000 coalition members, of which 18 are in the state of Alabama, I would like to express how extremely pleased we are that Senator Jefferson Beauregard Sessions, III has been nominated by the Trump administration to be the next Attorney General, and chief law enforcement official for our country.

CADCA supports Senator Sessions nomination because he has been a strong proponent of a balanced approach to drug policy across the supply/demand reduction split. Senator Sessions understands the importance of a comprehensive response to the drug issues facing our nation, that includes education, prevention, intervention, treatment, recovery support, as well as effective law enforcement and interdiction strategies. As the leading prevention organization in the country, CADCA has seen this firsthand, working with Senator Sessions to support the Drug-Free Communities Program, a critical component of our country's drug prevention infrastructure that utilizes local communities to solve local problems.

CADCA believes Senator Sessions knowledge, expertise, and experience dealing with the complex issues facing our country will serve him well as the United States' chief law enforcement official. CADCA looks forward to working alongside the President and Senator Sessions to protect and build safe, healthy and drug-free communities throughout America. We thank you for scheduling a confirmation hearing for Senator Sessions' nomination and urge a swift vote as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

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