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The Honorable Patrick Leahy Chairman Committee on the Judiciary U.S. Senate 224 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510 The Honorable Charles Grassley Ranking Minority Member Committee on the Judiciary U.S. Senate 152 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

Re: Nomination of Ms. Karol Virginia Mason to be the Assistant Attorney General for Justice Programs, Department of Justice

Dear Chairman Leahy and Ranking Minority Member Grassley:

The Sac and Fox Nation supports the nomination of Ms. Karol Virginia Mason as the new Assistant Attorney General for Justice Programs in the Department of Justice (DOJ). Ms. Mason recognizes and understands our concern for the welfare of our people and has worked with American Indians and Alaska Natives while serving as the former Deputy Associate Attorney General. Through joint efforts, the Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS) was implemented, allowing Tribes to submit a single application and select from several competitive grant programs. This approach allows the Department's grant-making components to consider the totality of a Tribal community's overall public safety needs.

We propose Ms. Mason's nomination receives the full approval of the Committee. Thank you.

Sincerely,

George Thurman, Chief Sac & Fox Nation