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July 8, 2013

The Honorable Patrick Leahy
Chairman
Senate Committee on the Judiciary
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Leahy:

On behalf of the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association (FLEOA), including Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), I am writing to you to memorialize our support for the nomination of James Comey as the next Director of the FBI.

Attempting to convince you of Mr. Comey's qualifications for the position is like trumpeting out, "Water is wet!" It is readily obvious that he is more than qualified on paper. Mr. Comey has had a distinguished career working for the Department of Justice, and has vast experience working the mission areas covered by the FBI.

However, Mr. Comey is equally, if not more, qualified by virtue of his strength of character. The "FBI" proudly stands for Fidelity, Bravery and Integrity, and Mr. Comey exudes them all. Not only does he possess the symbolic law enforcement "blue" in his veins, but he also has the "blue honor" in his heart. As witnessed throughout his distinguished career, Mr. Comey has demonstrated sound judgment and strong leadership under challenging circumstances.

Among the field ranks in law enforcement, in particular in the opinionated kingdom of the Southern District of New York, Mr. Comey has earned the reputation as a dedicated "true believer" in the law enforcement mission. Mr. Comey has earned the respect of working field agents, and can be described as a man wearing a General's stars, while also wearing a soldier's boots. He possesses the requisite leadership, integrity and experience to lead the proud men and women in the FBI.

The FLEOA membership respectfully asks that the Senate Judiciary Committee apply its routine due diligence and expeditiously move to confirm Mr. Comey as the next Director of the FBI.

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly should you require any additional input regarding the qualifications of Mr. Comey.

Respectfully yours,

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