

July 8, 2013

The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy Chairman Senate Committee on the Judiciary 224 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Charles E. Grassley Ranking Member Senate Committee on the Judiciary 224 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

Re: Nomination of James B. Comey Jr.

Dear Chairman Leahy and Ranking Member Grassley:

On behalf of the FBI Agents Association ("FBIAA"), a voluntary professional association currently representing over 12,000 active duty and retired FBI Special Agents, I write to express the FBIAA's support for the nomination of Mr. James B. Comey Jr. to serve as the next Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation ("FBI" or "the Bureau").

The FBI faces variety of significant challenges in the coming years, ranging from increasingly complex criminal and national security threats to challenges resulting from sequestration and other budget cuts. These challenges make it more important than ever that the Bureau be led by an individual who understands the central role of Agents and criminal investigative skills to the work done by the Bureau.

Mr. Comey has strong reputation among Agents, and the FBIAA believes that he understands the nature of investigative work and the central role of Agents in the FBI. The FBIAA looks forward to working with Mr. Comey to effectively confront the challenges facing our country.

Sincerely,

Konrad Motyka President

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