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a safer internet is a better internet

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Dear Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee:

Digital Citizens Alliance strongly endorses Kosta Ligris as the next Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Justice Programs at the U.S. Department of Justice.

We are a consumer-focused organization whose mission is to make the Internet safer—raising awareness among the public and policymakers about the public safety threats that criminals and other bad actors exploit through technology. Based in Washington, DC, the Digital Citizens Alliance counts among its supporters the health, pharmaceutical, creative, and security industries; online safety experts; and consumer advocates focused on Internet safety.

Mr. Ligris brings a rare combination of perspectives to this work—attorney, technologist, and entrepreneur—together with direct, hands-on experience on the front lines of digital trust and online fraud. He has spent his career building the very systems that determine whether an online transaction is legitimate or a criminal is impersonating a victim.

As the founder and chief executive of Stavvy, he built a technology company that brought secure digital identity verification, remote online notarization, and fraud prevention to the mortgage and real estate industry—among the sectors most targeted by wire fraud, title fraud, and identity theft. Identity proofing and online trust are not abstractions to him; they are the infrastructure he has designed, deployed, and defended at scale. He understands, from the inside, how bad actors exploit weak identity controls—and how to engineer the safeguards that stop them.

Digital Citizens has done extensive investigation and reporting on the alarming interconnection between hackers and pirate websites that work to infect consumers' computers and devices, leading to credit card theft, identity fraud, and even national security risks.

We've seen the ease with which prescription drugs and opioids sold without a prescription can move through the online ecosystem and get into the hands of our youth. We've seen organized crime use content theft as a gateway to other crimes.

As we've worked with DOJ, DHS, Congress, and state attorneys general, the need for law enforcement to collaborate across all levels is paramount. We recognize the Committee has

former state attorneys general among its ranks and DCA is proud to have partnered with over 20 state AGs on public service announcements over the years.

Mr. Ligris has the expertise to anticipate where criminals are headed on AI, cyber, identity fraud, and online exploitation because he has spent his career building defenses against precisely these threats. He has the skills to drive better collaboration between federal, state, and local law enforcement, and the conviction to fix a broken system. Criminals are compounding interest on their crimes while we leave cracks open in the system. Kosta Ligris is the type of leader we need to eradicate complacency, clean up waste, and better serve the public, law enforcement, and digital citizens.

We must enhance not just awareness but capacity to empower state and local partners with the resources, training, and information sharing they need. Digital Citizens wants accountability, results, and a partner who will help policymakers and law enforcement meet this new frontier of technology. That's why we support Kosta Ligris. We respectfully urge the Committee to advance his nomination, and the full Senate to confirm him without delay.

Sincerely,

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