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Hon. Charles Grassley, Chairman
Hon. Richard Durbin, Ranking Member
Judiciary Committee
U.S. Senate
224 Dirksen
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators Grassley and Durbin:

The National Crime Prevention Council is pleased to endorse the confirmation of Kosta Ligris to the post of Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) at the U.S. Department of Justice.

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.

OJP will benefit from his digital experience which is critical understanding to combat growing threats from fraud, deadly fake pills and other transnational crimes. He possesses the ability to have OJP focus on the basics of common-sense crime prevention initiatives. As the Justice Department's primary outreach arm to communities and to local law enforcement, OJP will be well served by his background and strong family ties to law enforcement.

In the private sector, at Stavvy he built and scaled a technology company that revolutionized fraud and identity theft prevention in the real estate industry. With pending anti-fraud legislation endorsed by NCPC, AARP, the National Sheriffs Association and others, this background could prove critical in developing a national anti-fraud plan.

Representing indigent juveniles in the courtroom at the most vulnerable moments of their lives taught him how the justice system shapes their future – he has a keen understanding of early intervention, fairness, accountability and public safety. These are critical pillars to preventing crime and protecting victims.

As NCPC continues to address emerging issues like synthetic and counterfeit drugs, violent crime, fraud, and the aftershock of the opioid epidemic, it is critical for OJP to be involved in all parts of the crime lifecycle and the critical importance of education and awareness to Take A Bite Out of Crime™. Please join in supporting the confirmation of Kosta Ligris as Assistant Attorney General.

Sincerely,

Paul DelPonte
Executive Director & CEO

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