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

Dear Chairman Leahy,

I write on behalf of the Major County Sheriffs' Association (MCSA), an association of elected sheriffs representing the nation's largest counties with populations of 500,000 people or more, in strong support of James Comey's nomination to be the next Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). Mr. Comey's years of extraordinary public service, ranging from his days as the U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York to his role as Deputy Attorney General at the Department of Justice, make him extremely qualified to lead our nation's top law enforcement agency.

Throughout his career, Mr. Comey has been known as a man of impartiality, good character, and someone with strong leadership skills. His past service has given him great experience in the law enforcement community and I have no doubt he will continue his strong commitment to the law enforcement mission as the next Director of the FBI.

Although we will greatly miss the leadership and friendship of Director Mueller, I have no doubt that Mr. Comey is an excellent candidate for the position. I hope that the Senate Judiciary Committee will work quickly to answer any questions it may have and confirm Mr. Comey as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

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