



Senator Patrick Leahy, Chairman
Senator Charles Grassley, Ranking Member
United States Senate
Committee on the Judiciary
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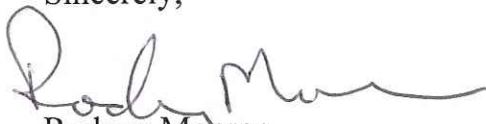
Dear Senators Leahy and Grassley:

As the Chief of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department (CMPD) in Charlotte, North Carolina, I am writing to you in support of Karol Mason's nomination to be the Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Justice Programs (OJP). I have reviewed her credentials for this position, and it is my belief that Ms. Mason is an outstanding choice to serve our country in leadership of OJP.

Ms. Mason most recently served as a Deputy Associate Attorney General, overseeing the Office of Justice Programs, as well as the Office on Violence Against Women and the Community Oriented Policing Service Office ("COPS"), the Community Relations Service and the Tax Division. Ms. Mason's work in collaboration with law enforcement will serve her well in taking on the leadership of OJP. As the Chief of a police department with more than 1,600 officers, I consider our partnership with OJP to be critically important, and look forward to working with Ms. Mason and in her capacity as the leader of OJP.

Thank you for your consideration of my support of Ms. Mason for this important position.

Sincerely,



Rodney Monroe
Chief of Police