February 22, 2017

The Honorable Charles Grassley  
Chairman  
Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
Ranking Member  
Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
152 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Feinstein:

It is a distinct pleasure and honor to write to you in support of the nomination for Rod J. Rosenstein to become the Deputy Attorney General of the United States of America.

Rod Rosenstein was sworn in as the United States Attorney for the District of Maryland on July 12, 2005. He is a luminary in his field and possesses dynamic leadership ability. He is recognized nationally for his astuteness in prosecution of criminal cases. He prosecuted Black Guerrilla Family Gang Members, inmates and correctional officers who devised a massive contraband smuggling scheme at the Baltimore City Detention Center in 2013. In 2016 there was a similar smuggling scheme at the Eastern Correctional Institution and U.S. Attorney Rosenstein filed the largest federal indictment in Maryland history against the perpetrators.

He has used federal anti-racketeering laws to prosecute many violent gang offenders especially in the Baltimore City area where murders and gang crimes have flourished. U.S. Attorney Rosenstein is highly respected and admired by state, municipal and federal law enforcement agency personnel. He attends meetings on a regular basis with all law enforcement department heads. During my fifty year law enforcement career I have not worked with a more capable and finer individual then U.S. Attorney Rod Rosenstein. He will make a great Deputy United States Attorney General and I would recommend you supporting him for this position. Thank you very much for your continuous support of America’s law enforcement personnel.

Sincerely,

Johnny L. Hughes  
United States Marshal  
District of Maryland