



December 23, 2008

The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy, Chairman
The Honorable Arlen Specter, Ranking Member
Senate Committee on the Judiciary
SD-224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510-6275)

Subject: Endorsement of Attorney General Nominee Eric Holder

Dear Senators Leahy and Specter:

It is an honor to add my voice to those supporting the nomination of Eric Holder as you evaluate his qualifications to serve as the next Attorney General of the United States. I have been privileged to work for and along side of Eric for more than a decade, particularly through the Clinton and Bush Administrations. As the recently retired Administrator of the Drug Enforcement Administration after more than four years, and career federal prosecutor and Associate Deputy Attorney General in both the Clinton and Bush Administrations, I also know how Eric is viewed not just among the career lawyers in the Department but also among the members of law enforcement.

Eric is highly respected with a well founded reputation for unflinching ethics, decisive leadership, keen vision and a track record of holding himself and others in public service accountable to the people they serve rather than to those who appointed them. Law enforcement has viewed Eric as a collaborative, trusted partner over the years – with Eric's recent outreach from his position in private practice to bring all professional sports and players unions to the DEA table to jointly address efforts to eliminate illegal steroid use, and well before that while in public office as Eric personally led the charge against drugs, gun crime, money laundering and public corruption. Eric also took the hard steps of leading reluctant law enforcement into successful forfeiture reform with Congress.

Having witnessed Eric in action behind the scenes and on stage, I know he has the humble temperament, depth of experience, fearless political independence and maturity to be an extraordinary Attorney General. Our nation needs the confidence of an inspiring team builder like Eric, who surrounds himself with talent and comes to the position with the benefit of knowing well the inner workings of the entire Department from the ground up – at its best and worst.

Respectfully submitted,

MOTOROLA, INC.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Karen P. Tandy'.

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