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The Honorable Barack Obama
President-elect, United States of America
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Presidential Transition Team
Washington, DC 20270

Dear President-elect Obama:

On behalf of Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), I write in support of the Honorable Eric Holder for the position of Attorney General of the United States.

Having served more than 50,000 victims of drunk driving crashes in 2007, MADD works closely with the U.S. Department of Justice in an effort to serve these people. MADD believes that Judge Holder is an excellent candidate for Attorney General who will continue the excellent working relationship MADD enjoys with the Department of Justice.

Judge Holder is uniquely qualified for Attorney General. As a U.S. Attorney, he worked in Washington, D.C., to improve the city's response to child abuse and create a model protocol for child victims. He was a key leader in creating D.C.'s Children's Advocacy Center (today considered a model for the nation). He also created a renowned victim/witness unit, expanding its staff from six to 24 members in less than four years.

In addition, while serving as a U.S. Attorney, he created the first domestic violence advocacy program within the victim/witness unit that functioned in DC Superior Court and in federal cases involving interstate domestic violence and stalking. Finally, he created one of the first Community Prosecution Programs in the District of Columbia.

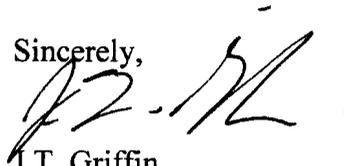
Judge Holder also served as deputy Attorney General under President Clinton. In this role, he was intimately involved in providing dynamic leadership in issues related to crime victims and survivors. He provided strong support to the Office of Victims of Crime's (OVC) efforts to support the families of the victims of the Pan Am 103 crash.

Judge Holder was also a driving force behind OVC's Children Exposed to Violence Initiative, which was a ground-breaking project that included a monograph, a series of training videos for various disciplines and a bulletin that outlined resources, tools, and services to improve responses to children who face crime and violence in their lives.

Judge Holder has as an excellent record working for victims of crime and MADD wholeheartedly supports his nomination to become Attorney General.

Thank you and best wishes for your new administration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J.T. Griffin", with a stylized flourish at the end.

J.T. Griffin

Vice President of Public Policy