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The Honorable Eric H. Holder, Jr.
United States Attorney General
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Attorney General Holder:

As the National President of the 26,000 members of the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association (FLEOA), I applaud both you and President Obama on your recent decision to reclassify the Marshals Service Deputy Director position as career appointed. We discussed this issue with you in July during our first meeting, and we commend you for your prompt attention to this important matter. Your decision will have a profound impact on both the operations of the Marshals Service, and the moral of its employees.

Both you and President Obama have sent an inspiring message to our Marshals Service members; that is, that you fully support the value of having a Deputy Director who possesses the institutional knowledge and experience of the agency they serve. Certainly, Director John F. Clark has proven the intrinsic value of having a career employee serve as the Director. With Chris Dudley serving as the Deputy Director, the Marshal Service further benefits from another leader whose background directly connects to his position.

On behalf of the FLEOA membership, please accept my sincere appreciation for this bold change in policy. I look forward to working closely with you and your staff on issues that impact the law enforcement community.

Respectfully,

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