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The Honorable Marc Basnight
President Pro Tempore, North Carolina Senate
Co-Chair, Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations

The Honorable Joe Hackney
Speaker, North Carolina House of Representatives
Co-Chair, Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations

The Honorable Eleanor Kinnaird
Co-Chair, Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice & Public Safety

The Honorable John Snow
Co-Chair, Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice & Public Safety

The Honorable Alice L. Bordsen
Chair, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice & Public Safety

The Honorable Jimmy L. Love, Sr.
Chair, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice & Public Safety

Dear Senators and Representatives:

Section 14.2 of S.L. 2007-323, the 2007-09 Appropriations Act, authorizes the Judicial Department to use up to \$1,500,000 from funds available each year to provide the state match necessary to receive federal grant funds. This letter serves as our required report to the Chairs of the Appropriations and Governmental Operations Subcommittees on Justice & Public Safety prior to using these funds.

The Judicial Department currently has active federal grants through the Governor's Crime Commission, the Bureau of Justice Assistance, the Governor's Highway Safety Program, the State Justice Institute and other sources. Since we generally receive confirmation of new grant awards throughout the year, we anticipate this total to grow further between now and June 30th. As detailed in the attached spreadsheet, we intend to allocate \$1,315,508 of the \$1,500,000 at this time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Walker", written over a horizontal line.

Ralph A. Walker