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The Honorable David Dreier
Governor Elect Schwarzenegger's Transition Office
770 L Street
Sacramento, CA 95814-3325

Re: Director, California's Homeland Security

Dear Congressman Dreier:

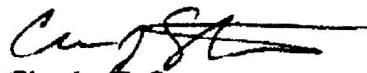
We write to recommend James J. Wedick, Jr. for the position of Director, California's Homeland Security. We have both served as the United States Attorney for the Eastern District of California. While serving as United States Attorney, we have worked closely with Mr. Wedick and have extensive first-hand knowledge of his abilities and character. Based on this information, we know he is an outstanding professional and possesses the highest level of integrity.

Mr. Wedick has been the supervising case agent on numerous important cases in this district. We both had the pleasure of working closely with him on important political corruption investigations. He is smart, dedicated, resourceful, and hard working. He is also very personable and engaging. He has exemplary initiative and drive, which has enabled him to develop some of the most complex and important cases prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office in the last decade.

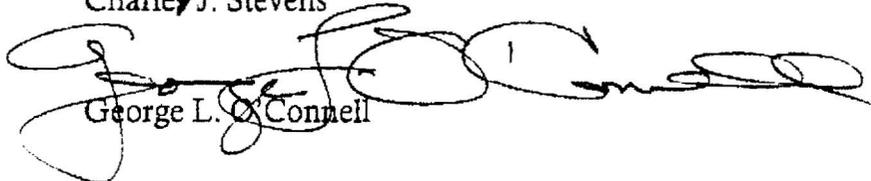
In addition to supervising agents on complex cases, Mr. Wedick has substantial management experience at the FBI. As a senior manager he regularly assumes the responsibilities of the agents in charge of the office.

We are pleased to recommend Mr. Wedick for this position. He is an outstanding professional. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you would like additional information.

Sincerely,



Charles J. Stevens



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