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LT. GOVERNOR

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Dear Director:

We are writing to bring you up to date with our joint plans to develop recommendations to make Iowa state government more efficient.

We have been looking at how to improve the operations of state government. In his budget guidance, the Governor directed departments to develop proposals to reduce the FY 2011 General Fund budget by 3 to 5 percent. Additionally, the Governor has enlisted a consulting firm Public Works LLC to develop certain best practices and other efficiencies for state government. Finally, the Legislative Council this past session appointed the Interim Study Commission on State Government Reorganization to review state government operations.

We cannot accomplish any improvement to the structure and process of state government without the effective support and assistance from every department and agency. For this effort to succeed, we need your help and full cooperation.

Over the next six months, representatives from the Governor's Office, the Department of Management, Public Works LLC, the House and Senate Caucus staff, and the Legislative Services Agency will be contacting you about your processes and organization. We ask that you respond to these requests for information in a timely manner and actively participate in this process.

In addition to the two meetings that the Legislative Interim Study Commission will be holding beginning in September, the Governor's Office will hold several public forums or meetings on this matter throughout the state this fall. You may be asked to appear at these events and are certainly welcome to attend.

Thank you again for your cooperation and assistance and for your continued desire to make Iowa state government better.

Sincerely,

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Governor Chet Culver

Handwritten signature of Patty Judge in black ink.

Lt. Governor Patty Judge

Handwritten signature of Staci Appel in black ink.

Senator Staci Appel
Co-Chair, Legislative State Government
Reorganization Commission

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Representative Mary Mascher
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