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State of Arizona

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Ms. Elaine Tyler, President
The HOPE Organization
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Dear Ms. Tyler:

I am pleased to provide this letter of support to assist you in your efforts to expand the services offered by the HOPE Organization. The continuing commitment of the HOPE Organization is a vital link in the collaborative efforts of Arizona and Utah law enforcement and human services agencies to provide a safety net for victims of domestic violence and abuse from polygamous communities. The services of The HOPE Organization are based on the individual needs of the victim and compliment the resources that Arizona and Utah have available by providing clothing, food, household furnishing, emergency financial assistance, educational assistance, transportation and victim advocacy. Your comprehensive and compassionate approach has proven successful in helping women and teens achieve self sufficiency. The Jumpstart Life Skills Project has been especially successful for young people.

Both the Arizona and Utah Attorneys General were grateful to you for coming forward with the idea for the first Town Hall meeting held on March 3, 2005 and subsequently each year thereafter. These well attended events are an excellent opportunity for officials from Arizona and Utah to bring everyone up to date on the situation in Colorado City, AZ and Hildale, UT and give people an opportunity to provide input on the solutions. Your efforts in helping us plan and organize the Town Hall Meetings have been key to promoting a productive discussion among individuals with diverse views at these events.

I look forward to continuing to work with you and The HOPE Organization to assist victims of child abuse and domestic violence from Colorado City. We commend you for your hard work in securing donations from the community to support these valuable services and resources. The current economy is proving challenging for state government and non profits. Attorney General Goddard is committed to making every effort possible to ensure that victims of child abuse and domestic violence have access to law enforcement and receive the services they need.

Please let me know if my office can be of any assistance to you.

Again, many thanks for your efforts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jane".

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