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The President c/o Jessica Hertz, Staff Secretary The White House Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

At your direction, I hereby submit my resignation as United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, effective at the end of the day on February 28, 2021. It has been the privilege of my career to lead the office where I began my service as a federal prosecutor 14 years ago.

The lawyers and staff of my office accomplished a great deal for the people of Missouri in the last three years. Western Missouri is consistently a national leader among the 94 U.S. Attorneys' Offices in combatting violent crime, child exploitation, and drug trafficking. I am particularly gratified by our work in Operation LeGend, in which we arrested more than 500 violent criminals in and around Kansas City and took hundreds of illegal firearms out of their hands, serving as a catalyst for similar state and federal collaboration in eight other American cities. The dedicated public servants in this office represent the United States in criminal and civil matters with excellence and integrity, and I am grateful to have had the opportunity to serve alongside them.

I am greatly indebted to the federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies and personnel who work with my office. Fourteen law enforcement officers died in the line of duty in Missouri just during my tenure; their sacrifice is a testament to the risks they take to keep us safe. I have a profound appreciation for their commitment to the communities they serve, and they are deserving of immense gratitude and support.

I will use the remainder of my tenure to prepare a smooth and successful transition for your nominee, who will inherit one of the finest offices in the country.

May God continue to bless the United States of America.

Sincere regards,

TIMOTHY A. GARRISON United States Attorney