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TO: The Honorable Timothy M. Kaine
Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia

FROM: Rhonda Jeter
Statewide Independent Living Council Administrator

SUBJECT: 2009 Annual Report on the Statewide Independent Living Fund

On behalf of the Statewide Independent Living Council and in accordance with §51.5-25.1.B of the Code of Virginia, I am pleased to provide you with the 2009 Annual Report on the Statewide Independent Living Fund (SILF).

During the 2007 Session, the Virginia General Assembly created the Statewide Independent Living Fund (SILF) in §51.5-25.1 of the Code of Virginia. Paragraph C. of §51.5-25.1 states:

There is hereby created in the state treasury a special nonreverting fund to be known as the Statewide Independent Living Fund (the Fund). The Fund shall be established on the books of the Comptroller. All moneys appropriated to the Fund or received from any source pursuant to subsection B shall be paid into the state treasury and credited to the Fund. Interest earned on moneys in the Fund shall remain in the Fund and be credited to it. Any moneys remaining in the Fund, including interest thereon, at the end of each fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund but shall remain in the Fund. Moneys in the Fund shall be used solely for the purposes of carrying out activities enumerated in the State Plan for Independent Living, developed pursuant to the Rehabilitation Act. Expenditures and disbursements from the Fund shall be made by the State Treasurer on warrants issued by the Comptroller upon written request signed by the Commissioner based upon recommendations from the Council.

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No donations or bequests were received during State Fiscal Year 2009. The Statewide Independent Living Council will spend the \$6,854.55 in the Fund for Goal I of the current *three year* State Plan for Independent Living. Efforts of this Goal are designed to study those areas of Virginia that are both underserved and unserved by a Center for Independent Living, in accordance with the Federal Rehabilitation Act. Activities to date have included data research on underserved groups, and one focus group and three Community Forums in areas of the Commonwealth which are currently unserved.

I would be pleased to provide you with any further information regarding this report or the SILF.

cc: James A. Rothrock, Commissioner, Department of Rehabilitative Services
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