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Office of the Governor

Timothy M. Kaine Governor

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The Honorable William J. Howell Speaker of the House General Assembly Building, Room 635 Richmond, Virginia 23219

The Honorable Charles J. Colgan, Sr. President Pro Tempore of the Senate General Assembly Building, Room 626 Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Speaker Howell and Senator Colgan:

I am writing pursuant to §2.2-113 of the Code of Virginia which requires me to report annually regarding requests my office has received to "suspend, temporarily and for a period not to exceed one year, any mandate, or portion thereof, prescribed by any unit of the executive branch of state government on a county, city, town, or other unit of local government upon a finding that it faces fiscal stress and the suspension of the mandate or portion thereof would help alleviate the fiscal hardship."

I have not received any such petition during my tenure as Governor thus far.

Please give me a call if you have questions or if I can provide additional information.

Sincerely. Timothy M. Kaine

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