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Mr. James H. Burch, II, Acting Director  
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Re: Recovery Act: Byrne Competitive Grant Program Application

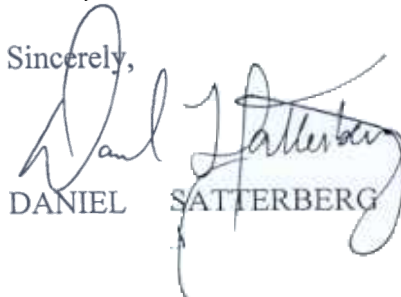
Greetings:

I am writing to convey my full support for the King County Sheriff's Office's (KCSO's) grant proposal to create a new behavioral science unit. Using advances in behavioral science to better assess individuals who make threats against public officials is an innovative approach to protecting the community. This approach will help prevent and de-escalate violent situations.

In addition, I fully anticipate that the KCSO proposal will add or save nine jobs within the criminal justice system that are being impacted by our community's current financial crisis. The KCSO proposal is consistent with the intent of the Recovery Act.

I feel that this program will significantly address public safety concerns and benefit our King County community.

Sincerely,



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