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The Honorable Eric Holcomb  
Governor's Office; Room 206  
Indiana State House  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Dear Governor Holcomb:

It has been three weeks since the public was notified of the resignation of Fmr. Judge Mary Beth Bonaventura as director of the Indiana Department of Child Services (DCS). I applaud you for realizing that a review was needed and that you have hired a firm to complete an assessment of the agency.

As a co-equal branch of government and the body that appropriates the funding to this agency, my colleagues and I of the House Democratic Caucus believe this investigating team needs to include members of the General Assembly. This request is one of sincerity in helping to resolve the issues currently plaguing DCS.

I would like to sit down with you to discuss this matter in further detail. I know you share my thoughts; there can be no more vital issue than protecting the lives of the most vulnerable children in Indiana. I look forward to continuing our discussion in person. Thank you!

Sincerely

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