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The Honorable Davita Vance-Cooks  
Acting Public Printer  
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732 North Capitol Street, NW  
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May 21, 2013

Dear Ms. Vance-Cooks:

Congratulations on your nomination by President Obama as the Public Printer of the U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO). We are confident that your experience and leadership will be immensely beneficial as the agency continues its transformation to a multi-platform publishing agency in the digital age.

As such, we write today to express our steadfast commitment to ensuring congressional and federal government information remains available to the public at no cost via the GPO's online platform.

In the recent report from the National Academy of Public Administration (NAPA), "Rebooting the Government Printing Office: Keeping America Informed," the fourth recommendation called for the exploration of alternative funding models for GPO's Federal Digital System (FDsys). Government-wide budget limitations do present long-term financial challenges for maintaining the viability of the GPO's digital platform and we look forward to recommendations from the GPO on options for maintaining a fully functional FDsys in this fiscal environment. First and foremost, however, in the interest of transparency and accessibility, the documents of our democracy should be available to all Americans electronically, in perpetuity, and for free.

We appreciate GPO's continued assistance in providing our nation's people with vital government documents, and we thank you for your commitment to no-fee, permanent public access to government information via FDsys and the Federal Depository Library Program.

Sincerely,

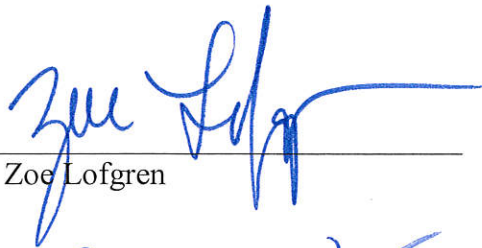


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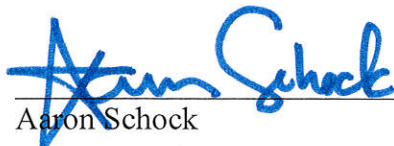
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