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Mr. Timothy J. Muris  
Chairman  
Federal Trade Commission  
600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Room 404  
Washington, DC 20580

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The New Mexico Sheriffs' and Police Association, a non-profit organization, has notified me of their opposition to the Federal Trade Commission's (FTC) proposed regulation creating a national "do-not-call" registry with regard to telemarketers.

The New Mexico Sheriff's and Police Association, like thousands of other non-profit organizations, contracts professional fundraisers to seek financial support for the organization. The availability of professional fundraisers allows this organization to focus on their mission, rather than expending the significant resources required to conduct an effective fundraising program.

The FTC's proposed rule could detrimentally affect the New Mexico Sheriffs' and Police Association by requiring their professional fundraiser to refrain from contacting a substantial number of New Mexico residents who might support the organization. The rule would also limit the association's ability to contact New Mexico citizens who have supported the association in the past.

I would be grateful for a thorough and complete evaluation of the New Mexico Sheriffs' and Police Association's concerns, consistent with all laws, rules, and regulations. Thank you very much for your attention to this matter, and please do not hesitate to contact me if you need additional information.

Sincerely,



Pete V. Domenici  
United States Senator

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