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MEMORANDUM

To: Christine Martine
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From: R. Thomas Payne II
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Date: December 19, 2019

Subject: Letter of Assurance for Periodic Review of Regulations – Rules and Regulations Relating to Fair Housing Certification found at 18 VAC 62-20

In accordance with the Code of Virginia and Executive Order 14 (2018), a periodic review of a regulation every four years shall include an examination by the Office of the Attorney General to ensure statutory authority. In that regard, I have reviewed the proposed Fair Housing Certification Regulations, 18 VAC 62-20-10 *et seq.* by the Fair Housing Board (the “Board”). In my view, as counsel to the Virginia Fair Housing Board, the Board may promulgate these regulations, pursuant to §§ 36-96.8, 54.1-201, and 54.1-2344 of the *Code of Virginia*. The proposed regulations do not appear to conflict with the Constitution of the United States or the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Virginia, nor do they appear to conflict with any federal or state law.

This memorandum addresses legal matters only and is not intended to serve, nor should it be construed, as a comment for or against the merits of the proposed regulations.