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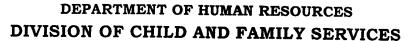
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August 3, 2004

Marsha Simms, President Foster Care and Adoption Association of Nevada 1918 Night Shadow Avenue North Las Vegas, Nevada 89031

Dear Ms. Simms:

The division has received multiple correspondences regarding your concerns in the new role of president.

I recognize your passion and enthusiasm in your new role that began on July 23, 2004. As Robin Ynacay Nye and I explained to you during our 1½-hour phone meeting on June 19, 2004, a professionally facilitated, day-long meeting was held on May 3, 2004 with all 3 foster parent associations. The purpose of the meeting was to develop recommendations for improving the quality and stability of children's lives by supporting resource families through recruitment, training and retention activities. Through a collaborative effort, the group would identify possible approaches to improving outcomes.

The second meeting is scheduled for August 24, 2004, at 9 a.m. at Children's Center, 701K North Pecos, Las Vegas, Nevada. Ruth Urban from The Urban Group, LLC will facilitate the meeting. Our expectation is that each association will have representation at this meeting and participate in good faith with the intent on identifying and assuring needed supports for foster parents. This group will develop recommendations for the state's consideration.

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Meeting Date

Sincerely,

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