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Hon. Keith Ellison Office of the Attorney General 445 Minnesota Street, Suite 1400 St. Paul, MN 55101-2131

Dear Governor Walz and General Ellison:

Recently, I filed a lawsuit in federal court in Alexandria, Virginia seeking to have declared unconstitutional Va. Code. Ann. §32.1-267(A), which required persons applying for a marriage license in Virginia to state their "race," using unscientific, highly controversial, misleading, useless, and tainted categories reflecting historical American repression of non-white persons. The judge found the requirement to be unconstitutional and ordered the state to drop it. The case was not appealed. You can find the complaint, orders, and other documents relating to the lawsuit on my firm's website at < www.robinhoodesq.com/ Va. Marriage License / Case Filings >.

Virginia is one of only eight states that impose this requirement by statute. Your state, unfortunately, is another. These statutes represent remnants of segregationist policies designed to prevent marriage between white persons and non-white persons.

I am writing to you to ask that you take formal steps in aid of getting the legislature to remove this requirement from your state code. I ask that you advise me within three weeks of what has been done, or will be done and when, along

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these lines, and whether and when might expect a legislative result. I seek to avoid litigation of the sort that was just completed in Virginia, as it amounts to a waste of time and public resources.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Victor M. Glasberg