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President Ted Farace
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Dear President Farace:

Thank you for your letter of December 10, 2011, and congratulations on your new agreement with the Fort Mojave Indian Tribe. As you point out, the Governor has made volunteerism an important tenet of his administration. That is why the Division of Emergency Management, in its most recent conversation with your organization, made you aware of the opportunities relating to the State of Nevada Citizen Corps. The VHRU would serve as a valuable component to the State's Citizen Corps, and I encourage you to pursue the opportunity.

Obviously, the State does not support volunteerism through the Citizen Corps with Emergency Management Performance Grant funds. To the extent the VHRU continues to seek such funds, this Office supports the decision of DEM to prioritize the distribution of limited grant funding to other projects. This decision, however, does not preclude the VHRU from entering into agreements with its local partners so as to receive grant funds as a subgrantee of these partners. Indeed, such an arrangement seems more appropriate in light of the fact that the VHRU provides services directly to local law enforcement entities and has never been called upon by the State to provide aid. Thank you and good luck.

Sincere regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "L. Foletta", written over a faint circular stamp.

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