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December 2, 2019

Senator Plummer,

I am writing in response to your letter of December 2, 2019 in which you resigned from the Joint Commission on Ethics and Lobbying Reform. While I accept your resignation, I find it necessary to clarify the events that led to your acceptance and subsequent appointment to this important commission.

When we first discussed your appointment, I indicated you would need to represent the views of the Senate Republican Caucus not merely your own interests. This would include you not filing any of your own ethics legislation without taking caucus views into consideration. I brought this forward to ensure you were not pursuing any outside interests and would continue to serve in the General Assembly and would adhere to any reform legislation enacted by the legislature.

Upon the conclusion of that discussion, you agreed the appointee did in fact need to represent the caucus, and that you would serve in that capacity.

As a result of our agreement, I filed my appointment letter with the Illinois Secretary of State's Office and issued a press release announcing my two selections. When you called me again to ask if I had informed anyone, I made it known about both the letter and the press release. When I asked if circumstances had changed, you indicated I need not reconsider and that you would be happy to serve.

Please note that I am appointing Sen. Dan McConchie to fill the vacancy created by your resignation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bill Brady". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Bill Brady  
Senate Republican Leader