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MAYOR

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Dear Dr. Hakim:

It is my pleasure to collaborate with Temple University's Center for Competitive Government to bring a national mayors summit to Washington, D.C., October 7-8, 2004. Sponsored and funded by Temple University, and involving national and local firms such as the Strategic Solutions Center, this world-class event will focus on local government best practices in Homeland Security and e-Government, particularly the lessons learned here in the National Capital Region.

I understand you will attract high caliber speakers and participants. I am pleased by this opportunity to discuss important issues with my colleagues from around the country. I look forward to being helpful with the details related to the conference. Sharon Anderson of the Executive Office of the Mayor along with Linda Argo of the Office of the Chief Technology Officer will work with you to ensure the success of this conference. They will be available to provide the necessary and appropriate support as it relates to my role in this event.

I anticipate that in the coming weeks there will be a proposed agenda and other details for me to review. I am delighted that you have chosen Washington, D.C. as the site for the conference. Thank you for all of your efforts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Anthony A. Williams".

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