

The Honorable Jim Pillen Governor, State of Nebraska P.O. Box 94848 Lincoln, NE 68509-6031

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The Honorable Mike Hilgers Attorney General of Nebraska 2115 State Capitol P.O. Box 98920 Lincoln, NE 68509

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Senator Beau Ballard District 21, State Capitol P.O. Box 94604 Lincoln, NE 68509-4604

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Kelly Lammers, Director Nebraska Department of Banking and Finance P.O. Box 95006 Lincoln, NE 68508

Dear Kelly:

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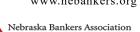
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Senator George Dungan District 26, State Capitol P.O. Box 94604 Lincoln, NE 68509-4604

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