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Arthur Coccodrilli, Chairman
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Dear Chairman Coccodrilli:

I am writing to express my support of the Regulation 16A-4816 (activities of unlicensed persons in preneed sales) as proposed by the State Board of Funeral Directors. The proposed regulation is scheduled for a vote on Thursday, November 19, 2009.

The State Board of Funeral Directors has held public hearings the past four years in order to address the issues raised in the federal court case Walker v. Flitton (2005), while staying in compliance with the Funeral Director Law which *prohibits* the offer to sell preneed arrangements by unlicensed individuals. The regulation also addresses the need in the profession to protect consumers.

Your acceptance of the proposed Regulation 16A-4816 in a positive manner is greatly appreciated. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Hornaman".

JOHN HORNAMAN
State Representative
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