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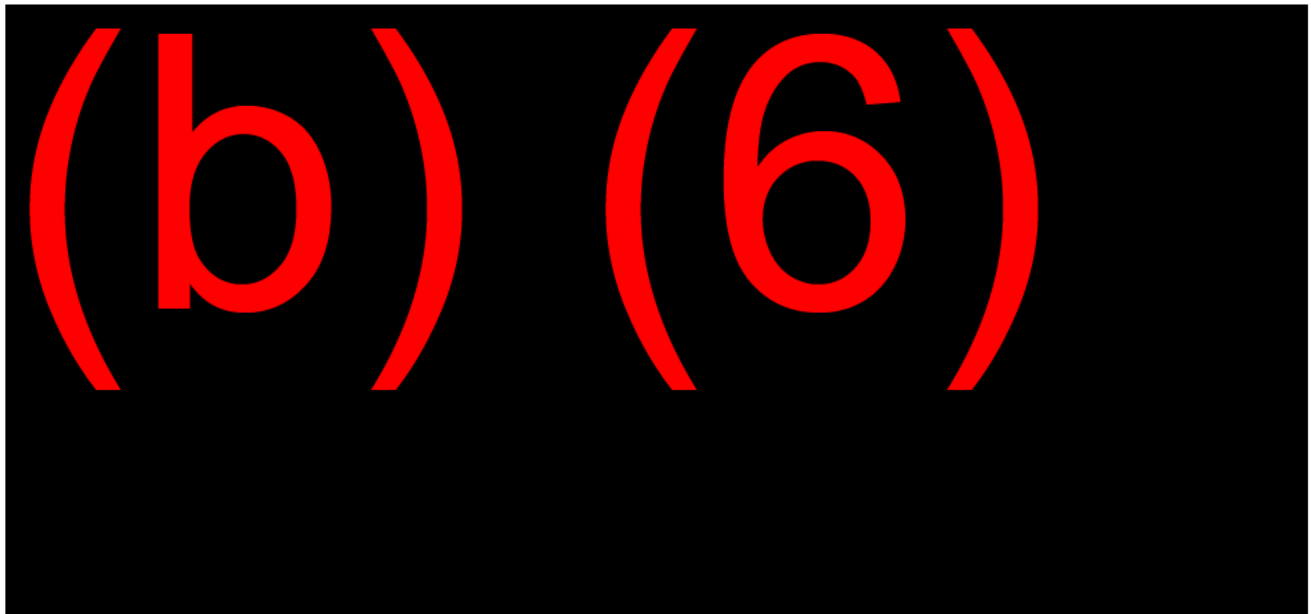
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January 24, 2017

The Honorable Ryan Zinke
Secretary Designee
Department of the Interior
1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Mr. Zinke,

I am pleased to add my voice to the many elected officials in Utah and throughout the West who are supporting (b) (6) appointment as Director of the United States Bureau of Land Management (BLM).



I am confident that (b) (6), who I also count as a close personal friend, will bring his same record of knowledge, passion, and success to the United States Bureau of Land Management. The experience and tenacity (b) (6) possesses qualify him for your most thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,

Gary R. Herbert
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March 7, 2017

The Honorable Ryan Zinke
United States Secretary of the Interior
Department of the Interior
1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Secretary Zinke,

Please let me express my personal congratulations on your recent appointment to the Department of the Interior. Under your leadership, I look forward to seeing our nation achieve remarkable outcomes as you navigate the interests of our country's public lands. We are proud of our five national parks and look forward to working with your department in making them even better. We recognize that your experience will bring new opportunities to support western states' ability to advance responsible resource development that supports our rural economies, and lasting solutions to protecting our natural treasures.

With great admiration, it is my honor to invite you to keynote my Sixth Annual Utah Energy Development Summit in Salt Lake City on May 4, 2017.

This premier event continues to be the largest of its kind in the West, hosting more than 1,200 attendees from across the nation and around the world. Featuring approximately one hundred speakers, the two-day conference and trade show brings together the diverse perspectives of the private sector, universities, national labs, and policymakers from all levels of government.

Located in the heart of the Western Energy Corridor, Utah is home to a vast array of energy and mineral resources. While over 60 percent of our land is owned by the federal government, we look forward to a new era of collaboration to meet the needs of our growing population, the nation's top performing economy, and the millions of tourists that recreate on and enjoy our public lands.

Thank you for your support and consideration in speaking at my annual Summit. I admire your storied military career and commitment to public service on both a Legislative and Executive level. I look forward to welcoming you to Utah and hope to see you in May.

Sincerely,

Gary R. Herbert
Governor

*I look forward to hosting
you in Utah!*