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Attorney General J.B. Van Hollen
Wisconsin Department of Justice
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Madison, WI 53707

A.G. Van Hollen,

On January 23, 2013, the Newton Police Department responded to a missing person report in our town. We took a report stating that Junior Fowble, an 82 year old resident was on his way to our local hospital and got lost on the way as he never showed up at the hospital. We put out a local broadcast to area Law Enforcement agencies to watch for Mr. Fowble and his vehicle. Later that morning, Mr. Fowble was entered into our missing person's information center and it was broadcast nationwide.

Within hours of this being sent out, we received several calls from Law Enforcement agencies as well as calls from citizens in your state. I could honestly say that I would not have ever imagined that this gentleman, with medical issues, would have made it that far in that short of time.

I am very happy to say that Mr. Fowble was found in your state, unharmed, but needing assistance to get back home. None of this could have been done without your Wisconsin Crime Alert Network. I want you to know that because of this Network as well as the help of dedicated officers and concerned citizens in your state that Mr. Fowble was returned home to his family. Had it not been for your Wisconsin Crime Alert Network, I dread thinking what would have happened to Mr. Fowble in the dead of winter as he drove without proper supplies and preparations.

I want to personally thank you, your citizens, your law enforcement officials and your Network for helping this situation to come with a happy ending.

God Bless you and everyone in Wisconsin.

Thanks again,

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