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Dawn Geras  
President  
Save Abandoned Babies Foundation  
55 East Erie Street, #2905  
Chicago, Illinois 60611-2255

Dear Ms. Geras,

I am pleased to congratulate you and everyone at the Save Abandoned Babies Foundation on the recent signing of House Bill 106, and I thank you for your dedicated efforts in this regard.

With the passage of this bill into law, Illinois is once again a national leader, becoming the first state in the U.S. to include university police in its safe haven laws. Every parent wants their child to be raised in a healthy, happy environment. Expanding our safe haven laws to include universities and Illinois State Police facilities will help make sure that more parents are able to relinquish infants in a safe and legal way.

For more than 11 years, the Save Abandoned Babies Foundation has been dedicated to saving the lives of newborns that might otherwise be abandoned unsafely in Illinois. Your work was instrumental in the passage of Illinois' Safe Haven Law ten years ago, and it continues to be instrumental today in keeping Illinois moving forward on this issue. I commend you for your hard work and your dedication to the children of our state.

On behalf of the people of Illinois, I thank you for your leadership on this issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pat Quinn". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Pat Quinn  
Governor