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The Honorable Daniel Akaka
141 Hart Senate Office Building
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The Honorable Danny Davis
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Dear Senator Akaka and Representative Davis,

The Partnership for Public Service is a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization which seeks to revitalize the federal government by inspiring a new generation to serve and by transforming the way government works. We are pleased to support the *Senior Executive Service Diversity Assurance Act* because we believe it will contribute to higher productivity and performance in the federal workplace by bringing in a diverse set of people, experiences and relationships.

Establishing a Senior Executive Service Resource Office will alleviate many of the difficulties caused by the current fragmented oversight of the SES. A centralized SES Resource Office will allow OPM to apply appropriate and consistent oversight, think strategically and clarify responsibilities, all of which will increase efficiency and effectiveness. We are pleased that the resource office will be tasked with publicizing annual statistics on the senior executive workforce, and believe the bill's provisions to encourage training for employees, including managers, to foster leadership and identify career enhancement opportunities will benefit all agencies.

The Partnership for Public Service enthusiastically supports this common-sense legislation and applauds your efforts.

Very best wishes.

Sincerely,

Max Stier
President and CEO