

APPRAISER LICENSING & CERTIFICATION BOARD

101 East Capitol ■ Suite 430 Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

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Mr. Ben Henson, Director The Appraisal Subcommittee 2000 K Street, NW, Suite 310 !ashington, D! 20006

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Dear Mr. Henson,

Pursuant to our recent conversation in !.C., this is to advise that the Arkansas General Assembly, in its infinite wisdom, concluded in its most recent legislative session that a number of agencies shall be abolished on June 30, 2007 <u>unless</u> continued by action of the Legislature.

Unfortunately, the Arkansas Appraiser Licensing Board was listed among those 58 agencies selected to be reviewed and acted upon prior to the '07 session. We have received a questionnaire pertinent to filing our request for continuance with the Legislative Committee.

To that end, we have enclosed relevant parts of Act 2218 for your review and would respectfully request your comments and response in a letter setting forth the justifications for continuing the Board's existence as well as your perspective in support of leaving the Board as a "stand alone" entity. You know not putting us under another agency or watering down the agency's effectiveness by transferring another state agency's responsibilities to this Board.

Your timely response to this request would be appreciated. If you have any questions, please give me a call.

Respectfully,

Jim Martin Executive Director