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Dave Heineman
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May 7, 2013

Honorable Dave Heineman, Governor
State of Nebraska/ Capitol
P.O. Box 94848
Lincoln, NE 68509

Honorable Mike Gloor, Senator
Nebraska Legislature, District 35
Banking, Insurance & Commerce Committee, Chair
State of Nebraska/Capitol
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Re: Michael W. Wassinger, CPA

Dear Governor Heineman & Senator Gloor:

We lost a true public servant on May 2, 2013 in Hastings. Mr. Michael W. Wassinger, CPA, Chair of the Nebraska State Board of Public Accountancy passed away at his home after his usual run in the morning.

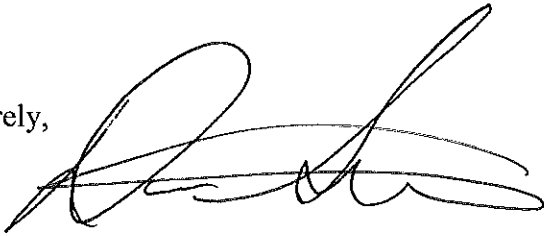
Governor Heineman you appointed Mr. Wassinger to our Board in 2006 and he was reappointed in 2010 to a second term. He served on various committees of the Board including three years as Vice Chairman until being appointed as Chair in September of last year. He was also a member of the Convention Center Facility Financing Board regarding the Pinnacle Bank Arena. He was a longtime reviewer and later a member of the Board's Quality Enhancement Program (QEP). Recently, he chaired the QEP Committee and was instrumental in the success of the program that requires CPA firms to submit financial reports for review by other CPA reviewers to assist and educate firms within the accounting profession.

Mike was a quiet leader and was somewhat reluctant to become Board Chair but understood his responsibility and took seriously his appointment to the Board as a veteran member. He always was prepared to assist Board staff and generous with his time in discussing the technical standards CPAs adhere to when preparing various financial reports even though he was very busy at work.

He was a proud father and husband and a successful partner at the McDermott & Miller, PC firm for over 30 years in Hastings. A true professional, public servant, and community member Mike will be missed by many.

Thought you would like to be made aware of the loss of a great Nebraskan. Never hesitate to let me know if our Board can be of any assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Sweetwood', with a large, stylized initial 'D' and a horizontal line extending across the middle of the signature.

Daniel Sweetwood
Executive Director

cc. Ms. Gladys Wassinger
Mr. Bernie Gutschewski, Vice Chair
Ms. Lori Druse, CPA, Secretary
Mr. Dan Vodvarka, President- Nebraska Society of CPAs
Mr. Thomas Kruger, CPA, McDermott & Miller PC