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To Whom It May Concern:

The U.S. Department of Labor Women's Bureau Region I has worked cooperatively and successfully with the Connecticut Permanent Commission on the Status of Women for many years. During my tenure as Regional Administrator, I have personally worked with the Commission under the capable leadership of the current Executive Director, Carolyn Treiss, and with her excellent predecessor, Teresa Younger. The Connecticut Permanent Commission on the Status of Women serves as a leader and inspiration for other state and city women's commissions across New England.

The Commission has been the recipient of numerous Women's Bureau contract awards for education, outreach, and demonstration projects to advance the opportunities of Connecticut women in numerous areas including equal pay, non-traditional occupations, and financial literacy. Most recently, the Women's Bureau worked with the PCSW on issues of concern for working parents, domestic workers, and older women – hosting educational roundtables and forums for employers, employees, and non-profit and government organizations.

The Commission provides excellent resources to women and girls across the state including compiling and publishing a Directory of Women's Organizations in Connecticut, distributing a Monthly Digest of activities relevant to girls and women, and issuing quality Research Briefs including economic statistics important for women and their families' economic security.

The Connecticut Permanent Commission on the Status of Women has been a valuable partner to the U.S. Department of Labor Women's Bureau for many years. Please contact me if I might be of assistance in answering any questions about the Women's Bureau's work with the Commission.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jacqueline Cooke". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Jacqueline Cooke
Regional Administrator