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The Honorable Nicholas J. Freitas
Virginia House of Delegates
P.O. Box 113
Culpeper, Virginia 22701

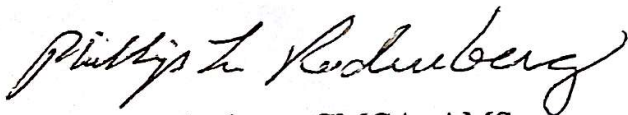
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Sincerely,



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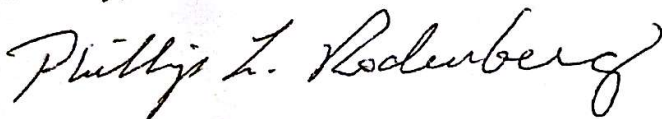
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