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**Testimony of  
Lucinda Babers, Director  
Department of Motor Vehicles**

**Before the  
Committee on Government Operations and the Environment  
Mary Cheh, Chairman**

**Tuesday, February 17, 2009  
4:00 pm – Room 120  
The Wilson Building  
Washington, DC**

Good afternoon, Councilmember Cheh, members of the Committee and Council, and your staffs. My name is Lucinda Babers, and I am the Director of the District's Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV). Today, I am here to answer questions related to the DMV's motor/voter process.

DC DMV has implemented the requirements of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 which requires states to provide individuals with the opportunity to register to vote at the same time they apply for a driver's license or seek to renew a driver's license, and it requires the State to forward the completed application to the appropriate state or local election official. We have also contributed to the implementation requirements of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 which requires the State election official and the State motor vehicle official to enter into an agreement to match information in the database of the statewide voter registration system with information in the database of the motor vehicle authority to the extent required to enable the verification of the accuracy of the information provided on applications for voter registration.

At this time, I'm glad to respond to specific questions you have related to the motor/voter process. Thank You.

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