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Rep. Emanuel Chris Welch
Members of the Special Investigating Committee II
Illinois House of Representatives
101st General Assembly
State of Illinois

Re: Request for Appearance

Dear Representative Welch and Members of the Committee,

Mr. Doherty is in receipt of your letter dated September 18, 2020 requesting Mr. Doherty's appearance before the Special Investigating Committee II of the Illinois House of Representatives on September 29, 2020 at 2:00 pm in the State Capital. According to your letter, the committee is tasked with investigating whether Speaker Madigan engaged in conduct unbecoming to a legislature which constitutes a breach of public trust.

While Mr. Doherty understands and respects the committee's responsibility to accomplish its objectives, at this time and upon the advice of counsel, Mr. Doherty declines the invitation to appear and be questioned.

Thank you,

Sincerely,



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