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**Sent VIA Email**

High Hopes 4 Autism  
Rachel Mueller  
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[highhopes4autism@gmail.com](mailto:highhopes4autism@gmail.com)

Dear Ms. Mueller,

This letter is following up on our phone conversation on this date regarding the raffle that your organization is currently operating in the State of Alabama. I called to follow up on a report received by our office and to confirm whether such was in fact being offered by your organization. Although we understand that you are a non-profit organization, the operation of a raffle, where tickets are sold for a chance to win a prize of value, are illegal lotteries under Alabama law cannot be operated or offered in this state without violating Ala. Code 1975 § 13A-12-20 *et seq.* and the prohibitions of our state constitution against illegal lotteries in our state.

This letter is a formal demand for you to ***CEASE AND DESIST*** from operating, providing, or otherwise allowing this raffle to continue. You must **immediately** cease any operation of this raffle, including the receiving of funds for raffle tickets, upon receipt of this letter and suspend any activity connected with the receipt or promotion of the illegal raffle. Failure to do so may result in additional legal action.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John L. Kachelman III".

John L. Kachelman III  
Deputy Attorney General



CC: *Sheriff Mack, Baldwin County Sheriff*

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