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Ms. Sonia Anne Khalil
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Dear Ms. Sonia Anne Khalil,

Secretary

Onelia Pacocha

On behalf of the Italian American Police Association, I am pleased to express our enthusiastic endorsement for your candidacy as Illinois State Representative for the 36th District. Your inspiring background as a native and resident of Palos Hills, along with your commitment to community activism and volunteerism, has not gone unnoticed. Your recent triumph over cancer is a testament to your resilience and determination, qualities that we believe will serve the residents of the 36th District admirably.

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Your unique heritage, raised by an Italian American mother and Palestinian American father, has undoubtedly shaped your dedication to civic engagement. We appreciate the early influence of your father, Samir Khalil, as the co-founder and chairman of the Arab American Democratic Club, which inspired you to become a precinct captain for your local township at the young age of 12. The legacy of your Italian grandfather, Peter Cora, adds depth to your Italian cultural connection. Your decision to study Italian in Pisa as a teenager, inspired by your grandfather, further highlights your commitment to embracing diverse perspectives.

Legal Advisor

Giuseppe Arato

Board Chairman

James Viola

Your 14 years of combined experience in county and local government reflects your unwavering dedication to public service. We believe that your extensive background will equip you to pass legislation that will benefit middle-class families in our communities, and we are confident in your ability to advocate for local small businesses. As a consultant at a woman owned firm, your commitment to supporting local businesses aligns with our values. We appreciate your dedication to raising awareness about blood cancer, highlighting your commitment to important health issues.

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The Italian American Police Association proudly endorses your candidacy for Illinois State Representative for the 36th District. We believe that your passion for civic engagement, combined with your diverse background and experience, will make a positive impact on our community. We wish you the best of luck in your campaign, and we look forward to witnessing the positive changes you will bring to the 36th District. You are encouraged to use our name and our endorsement appropriately.

Sincerely,

James A. Viola
Board Chairman

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