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Dear Blake and members of the Citizen Review Panels:

Thank you for the extensive work and collaboration that went towards the development of the annual Citizen Review Panel report. The recommendations have been distributed and reviewed by staff throughout the Cabinet. Attached you will find our responses and considerations regarding these recommendations.

I appreciate the commitment of the Citizen Review Panel members in partnering with DCBS to work towards the goal of providing a safe and stable environment for the children and families of the Commonwealth. The Citizen Review Panels continue to provide DCBS with valuable insight into areas such as service delivery, collaboration, and advocacy that assist us in assessing the effectiveness of our service delivery system.

As we begin the process of developing our Federal Child and Family Services Review performance improvement plan, we will have the recommendations of your report to assist us in considering areas of practice that might be enhanced by the development of new services, policies, and practices with our children and their families.

We appreciate your commitment to the work of the Citizen Review Panel and we look forward to continuing to work in partnership with each of you on behalf of the children and families of Kentucky.

Sincerely,

Patricia R. Wilson  
Commissioner

