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September 18, 2009

Richard Gonzales, Executive Director Department of Personnel and Administration 633 17th Street, Suite 1600 Denver, CO 80202

Dear Mr. Gonzales:

The Capitol Building Advisory Committee (CBAC), which reports to the Capital Development Committee, is charged with overseeing the use of certain public spaces inside and on the grounds of the State Capitol. Within the past year, it has come to our attention that, on occasion, media vehicles and special vehicles on display on the west side of the State Capitol drive over and park on the granite and sandstone pavement that is part of the west landscaping near the First Volunteers' Monument. Such activity has resulted in the deposit of hard-to-remove oil stains on the pavement, cracks to some of the pavers, and large chips being incurred on the bollards. These elements are now part of the Capital's historic landscape and were installed over a decade ago at great expense to the state.

In an effort to preserve this attractive landscape element and remedy this problem, the CBAC is seeking the assistance of the Department of Personnel and Administration. There is currently nothing in the permit form for use of State Capitol Complex facilities that mentions parking in this area. To insert such language will require employment of rule-making procedures. Therefore, the CBAC is requesting that DPA consider amending the permit rules to include a section prohibiting vehicles from driving on or parking on the granite and sandstone pavers at the west entrance of the Capitol. Enclosed are copies of photographs that document damage incurred in the recent past.

The CBAC would appreciate receiving acknowledgment of this letter through Jennifer Thomsen, Legislative Council Staff (jennifer.thomsen@state.co.us, 200 East Colfax, Room 029, Denver, Colorado, 80203). Upon your request, members of the CBAC would be happy to work with appropriate members of your staff to develop appropriate language to be added to the rules.

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Thank you so much for considering this request. We look forward to a favorable reply from your department.

Sincerely,

Georgianna Contiguglia

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