



October 26, 2020

Governor Bill Lee
State Capitol, 1st Floor
600 Dr. Martin L. King, Jr. Blvd.
Nashville, TN 37243

Dear Governor Lee,

It is with regret that I inform you, I am resigning from my role as Commissioner for the Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance. I have an opportunity to transition to the private sector and at the same time, spend more time with my young family. My last day will be Friday, November 13, 2020, by which time I expect to leave the department and staff in a good and stable place. I will be available by phone and email if any questions arise after my departure in order to make this transition smooth for all involved.

As we discussed, it has been an honor and a privilege to serve in your cabinet. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time here and appreciated the opportunity to support you in leading the state serving 6.8 million Tennesseans. The work has been very fulfilling, and though the last eight months have been challenging, I am proud of what we have accomplished with response to the tornado events, COVID-19, reopening the economy with ERG and the work with the Law Enforcement Reform Partnership. I will miss all my colleagues and staff; the state has hard working and dedicated employees.

I apologize for any inconvenience caused by my departure and will do whatever I can to make this transition as smooth as possible.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Hodgen M. Mainda".

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