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Dear Colleagues:

Consistent with the recent NAAG presidential initiative focusing on youth Internet safety, I write to inform you of a new, educational Internet safety program designed for parents that is available for your use. The "Internet Safety 101: Empowering Parents" kit is an innovative tool that seeks to educate parents on how best to protect their children when using the Internet. My office has partnered with *Enough is Enough* to provide these informative kits to parents across Virginia.

As you know, one problem with conducting widespread Internet safety education is the difficulty of finding individuals with expertise and time to present the program. The *101* curriculum solves this problem by providing a plug-and-play DVD with experts conducting training. While the DVD is designed to anticipate questions from viewers and offers nationally known experts to answer them, it also may be utilized with a live-presentation format. The curriculum, designed with funding from the U.S. Department of Justice, also includes information about numerous software products and techniques, focusing on how they work and what parents should understand about their limitations.

We recently began distributing 1,000 of the *101* kits to organizations and churches around Virginia. I have included a copy of the curriculum with this letter and I urge you to consider using this valuable tool as part of your education efforts. While we continue to work with law enforcement to apprehend and punish those who use technology to prey on the most vulnerable among us, we understand that the best defense against the dangers pervading the Internet are well-informed families.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. C. Mims", written over a light blue horizontal line.

William C. Mims