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Dear Commissioner Orlin:

I am writing in reference to the Public Hearing and Opportunity to Comment concerning Chapter 3 of the Laws of 2008 regarding the proposed rule governing the distribution of unsolicited advertising on private property. I support Senator Frank Padavan and Assembly Member Mark Weprin who have contacted you regarding the proposed rule that a filed complaint must be notarized.

The proposed rules already require that the complainant mail *all* the unsolicited materials they receive, even though they have a posted sign, but on top of that require him/her to find a notary to witness their signature. Many residents may find this discouraging and not file complaints. I agree with Mr. Padavan and Mr. Weprin that a notarized affidavit could be completed at a later date when a sworn statement would be crucial to uphold a conviction.

Residents have been very supportive of the "Lawn Litter" legislation for security and environmental reasons. They have also waited a long time for relief from this legislation. Therefore, the Department should reconsider this rule and make it easier for residents to file complaints.

Sincerely,

Susan Seinfeld
District Manager