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Mr. Steven Blankinship
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Dear Mr. Blankinship,

The Executive Council, in a meeting held this date, approved your requests for retention of special counsel pursuant to Iowa Code section 13.7 to provide legal services and representation to Iowa with respect to BlackRock Inc.'s and State Street Corporation's (collectively, "Defendants") conduct that (i) allegedly violates antitrust and consumer protection laws, and (ii) is the subject of litigation in the case State of Texas et al. v. Blackrock, Inc., State Street Corporation, and The Vanguard Group, Inc., Case No. 6:24-cv-00437-JDK

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