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Senator Jim Inhofe, Chairman
Committee on Environment & Public Works
410 Dirksen Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20510-6175

Re: S.B. 2754

Dear Senator Inhofe:

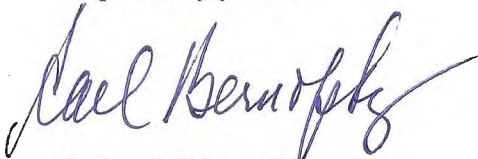
I understand that U.S. Senators Bill Cassidy and David Vitter introduced the referenced bill on April 6, which was referred to your committee. It is intended to honor the late Judge Thomas "Tom" Stagg by renaming the Shreveport Federal Building to the "Tom Stagg Federal Building and United States Courthouse."

My wife and I strongly oppose conferring this unique honor on Judge Stagg because of his arbitrary application of immunity for negligent government actors, thereby shielding them from accountability for their wrongful actions. His ruling of immunity and disregard for the doctrine of Respondeat Superior was a means of taxing us for the losses we suffered in 2005 as a result of Hurricane Katrina.

Further information about the case over which Judge Stagg presided can be seen at <http://www.carlbernofsky.com>.

Judge Tom Stagg may have embodied many qualities that are worthy of celebration, but we do not think his sense of judicial fairness qualifies him for the honor of having a federal courthouse dedicated to his memory.

Respectfully yours,



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cc: Editor, *The Times*, 222 Lake Street, Shreveport, LA 71130