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Dear Summit Attendees,

I'm delighted to welcome everyone to the 2019 North Carolina Reentry Summit. Our theme this year is **Harnessing Hope for People Returning from Incarceration**. This Summit will focus on sharing information on various evidence-based approaches utilized by faith and community based entities across the state to increase the success of individuals returning from incarceration to their local communities.

This Summit will provide the opportunity to meet, network, and learn from others in the reentry space in North Carolina. You will have the chance to hear from national partners as well as service providers that serve returning citizens in their communities. Hopefully, you will leave the Summit with greater context about the challenges our returning citizens face, as well as renewed drive to help ensure these citizens have everything they need to be successful.

Thank you for your tireless efforts to reintegrate formerly incarcerated people in North Carolina. I would like to extend a special thank you to the State Reentry Council Collaborative, the Office of the Governor, and the Department of Justice for their hard work in bringing a dynamic set of speakers and panelists together for this Summit. Your participation and dedication is a testament to the collective impact we can have on making reentry work for all.

Sincerely,

Erik A. Hooks  
Secretary

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