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I have been pleased to represent the National Kidney Foundation (NKF) as an observer during the four meetings of the drafting committee that is revising the Uniform Anatomical Gift Act (UAGA). The NKF is a voluntary health organization whose 50,000 members, from around the country, include 7,260 transplant candidates and recipients, as well as 10,910 families that have donated the organs of a deceased loved one for transplantation. I appreciated the willingness of the commissioners to consider the views of the observers during their deliberations and will be interested in seeing the new UAGA move toward enactment since it addresses many of the concerns that have been raised in the transplant community.

Sincerely,

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