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Dear Mr. Poliquin,

As an employee of Resource One, I would like to take the time to address my personal concerns regarding the revised Risk-Based Capital proposal. While I support the requirements for credit unions to be financially healthy, the updated proposal would continue to have an adverse effect on the credit union movement. I would like to express my concerns on RBC2 and its flaws to express my disapproval even in its updated context.

The current system works, credit unions came through the last Recession, the worst financial crisis since the Great Depression, just fine. Resource One has long demonstrated consistent growth since it was originally chartered, serving over 50,000 members. Although I believe NCUA has taken steps in the right direction to improve the original capital risk proposal, its revised format still seems to have flaws in its current state.

A substantial change in RBC2 was to eliminate higher risk weights for longer-term investments, which is appreciated. We encourage NCUA to refrain from issuing a proposal on interest rate risk that would apply a minimum quantitative measure of interest rate risk to all covered credit unions using some common measurement framework. Interest rate risk should not be incorporated into the risk-based capital system. NCUA already has an interest rate risk rule in place that provides adequate protection. If NCUA feels that additional interest rate risk steps are needed, they should be addressed in the regulatory, examination, and supervision process.

If the RBC2 proposal is implemented, NCUA would assume authority to subjectively impose higher capital requirements on individual credit unions. Examining possible reasons for higher capital standards in the proposal, there seems to be a discrepancy and inconsistency from credit union to credit union. Strategic capital planning is very important for credit unions, and each credit union's long-term desired capital ratio will depend on the credit union's own assessment of the risks it faces, and its tolerance for risk.

I appreciate your willingness to allow me to express my comments on this revised impactful regulatory proposal. I respectfully encourage you to consider additional improvements to the proposed revised Risk-Based Capital (RBC2) Rule in accordance with my views included in this letter. Thank you again for the opportunity to voice my opinions and comments on the proposal.

Respectfully,

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