Department of Homeland Security United States Citizenship and Immigration Services P.O. Box 10130 Laguna Niguel, CA 92607-1013

[Date]

File No. _____

Dear sir or madam:

I am writing on behalf of my client, ______, who is seeking reinstatement pursuant to INA § 204(1) of an I-130 petition filed on his behalf of his ______ [father, mother, etc.]. The petition was filed on ______ and approved on ______. The petitioner died on ______, after the petition was approved and before any application was filed. The approval of the petition was automatically revoked upon the petitioner's death.

INA § 204(1) provides for the reinstatement of a petition after the death of the petitioner if the beneficiary satisfies certain conditions. The beneficiary must have been residing in the United States at the time the petitioner died and have continued to reside here since his or her death. The beneficiary does not have to establish any humanitarian factors in support of this request.

The following documents are submitted as evidence of eligibility for 204(1) relief:

- Copy of the I-130 approval notice
- Copy of the death certificate indicating the petitioner died on _____
- Evidence that the beneficiary entered the United States on _____ [include copy of I-94 or entry stamp if beneficiary was inspected and admitted; if entered EWI, include affidavit of beneficiary describing date, place, and manner of entry to the United States, date of departure from home country, method of travel, and countries traveled through en route to United States]
- Evidence that the beneficiary was residing in the United States on the date the petitioner died and has continued to reside here [include employment or school records; rent, telephone, or utility bills; hospital or medical records; attestations by church, unions, or other organizations; money order receipts; passport entries; birth certificates of children born in the United States; bank accounts or insurance documents; Social Security or Selective Service card; automobile license receipt, title, or vehicle registration; deeds, mortgages, leases, or other contracts to which the beneficiary has been a party; tax receipts; any other relevant document]
- Form I-864, Affidavit of Support, executed by a substitute sponsor, the beneficiary's _____ [LPR or citizen spouse, parent, mother-in-law, father-in-law, sibling, child at least

18 years of age, son, daughter, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, sister-in-law, brother-in-law, grandparent, grandchild, or legal guardian] and proof of relationship

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Sincerely,