**CULTURALLY SPECIFIC ORGANIZATION VERIFICATION LETTER**

<Date>

Governor’s Crime Commission

Caroline Valand

Executive Director

1201 Front Street

Raleigh, NC 27609

Dear Ms. Valand;

<Agency Name> is requesting STOP funding from the Governor’s Crime Commission for <Project Number> to provide culturally specific services to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and/or stalking.

I understand that in order to receive the funding from the culturally specific funding allocation, the organization **must** be a nonprofit, nongovernmental organization or tribal organization that serves a specific geographic community that:

* focuses primarily on domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking;
* has established a specialized culturally specific program that addresses domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking;
* has a primary focus on underserved populations (and includes representatives of these populations) and domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking; or
* obtains expertise, or shows demonstrated capacity to work effectively, on domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking through collaboration;
* is primarily directed toward racial and ethnic minority groups; **AND**
* is providing services tailored to the unique needs of that population.

Name and Signature of Board President