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October 14, 2016

His Excellency Charles D. Baker, Governor
Executive Office
State House, Room 360
Boston, Massachusetts 02133

Dear Governor Baker:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 9C of Chapter 29 of the Massachusetts General Laws, I hereby notify you that available revenues for Fiscal Year 2017 (FY17) are projected to be insufficient to meet authorized expenditures. The amount of this probable deficiency is estimated at \$294 million.

The projected deficiency reflects both my previously-certified tax revenue reduction of \$175 million and probable non-discretionary spending obligations not accommodated in the FY17 General Appropriation Act, for indigent defendants' legal costs, projected snow and ice costs, shelter exposures and settlement and judgment costs.

Upon your direction, I will implement reductions under Section 9C of Chapter 29 and take such other steps as necessary to eliminate this projected deficiency.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kristen Lepore".

Kristen Lepore
Secretary

Cc: Senator Karen E. Spilka, Chairwoman, Senate Committee on Ways and Means
Representative Brian S. Dempsey, Chairman, House Committee on Ways and Means