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**REYNOLDS ALLOWS HER ADMINISTRATION TO PLAY BY A DIFFERENT SET OF RULES**

DES MOINES – AFSCME Council 61 President Danny Homan issued the following statement in response to the release of the [letter](https://htv-prod-media.s3.amazonaws.com/files/letter-to-governor-3-21-18-redacted-1524768789.pdf) detailing allegations against Iowa Finance Authority Director Dave Jamison, a close personal friend of the Governor:

“As we have watched the cover-up of David Jamison’s firing unfold, Kim Reynolds has made clear that she allows members of her administration to play by a different set of rules than everyday state employees. It is atrocious that a Department Director would perpetrate such abuse, and that a General Counsel and a Chief Administrative Officer would do anything other than reporting their observations to the Governor’s office. It’s a shame that the victim couldn’t even go to the Department of Administrative Services, whose job it is to enforce a violence-free workplace.

“To the Iowa Finance Authority employee who endured years of horrifying workplace conditions perpetrated by the Governor’s close personal friend: we stand with you. No one deserves what you’ve been put through. Thank you for your bravery in shedding light on more of the abusers in positions of power that continue to poison our state government.

“I believe there is more to this story that the Governor is trying to hide from the press. We are fortunate to have dedicated journalists who insist on uncovering the truth.”

*The American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees Council 61 represents 40,000 public employees in Iowa including law enforcement and correctional officers, firefighters, mental health workers, professional school staff, emergency responders, and many other workers. AFSCME Council 61 also represents home health care and child care providers across the state and private sector workers at Prairie Meadows, Palmer College of Chiropractic, Des Moines University, and ABM (Marshalltown).*

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