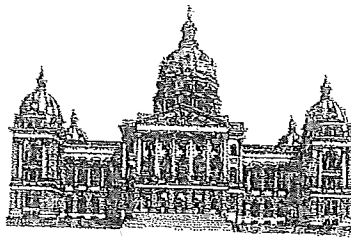


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Chief Jeff Brinkley
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April 26, 2016

(Sent via Certified U.S. Mail)

Greetings Chief Brinkley,

Enclosed is a letter signed last April by all one hundred Iowa State Representatives. Your predecessor strenuously objected to receiving the letter. However, copies of it were sent to all the Mason City council members and to Mayor Bookmeyer as a recommendation to hold a special observance of the twentieth anniversary of Jodi Huisentruit's disappearance on June 27, 1995. The former Police Chief's strident opposition to the letter is particularly bizarre, given the fact that even the Mason City area State Representatives signed the letter.

As the father of four children including two daughters and as a member of the House public safety committee, I am deeply troubled by the number of cold cases in the State of Iowa involving the crimes of kidnapping and murder. I have expressed that concern to DCI director Jim Saunders and to State Senator Kevin Kinney who share my concern as do former police officers Clel Baudler and Steve Holt who also serve on the public safety committee. It has also come to my attention that there have been leads in the Jodi Huisentruit case that were forwarded to the Mason City Police Department that were not investigated for many years. Perhaps that explains the former police chief's opposition to drawing attention to Jodi's case, unless one is convinced that he was close to retirement and did not want more to do.

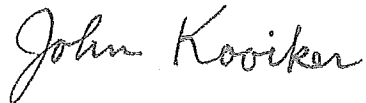
In light of your stated commitment to do a thorough review of Jodi's disappearance, I am hopeful that this letter will be well received this time. I certainly commend you for drawing the attention of law enforcement and the public's assistance in solving it. I assure you that you have the backing of the Iowa House when it comes to following all the leads.

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Please feel free to forward this letter to the Mason City Mayor and City Council Members with your support for having an annual "Jodi Huisentruit Day" until the perpetrator(s) are brought to justice.

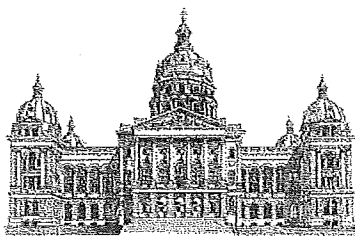
I look forward to hearing from you and for the opportunity to share additional information with you.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Kooiker".

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Enclosures: 2015 letter with 100 signatures



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May 4, 2015

To the Honorable Mayor Eric Bookmeyer
and City Council Members:

On June 27, 1995, Ms. Jodi Sue Huisentruit, a talented anchorwoman at KIMT television, disappeared in the early morning hours as she was leaving for her job as anchor of the morning show "Daybreak." Ms. Huisentruit was a Mason City resident, a daughter, a sister, and was loved and respected by many in North Iowa and southern Minnesota. At age 27, she is believed to have been abducted and was legally declared deceased in May of 2001.

June 27, 2015, will mark the 20th anniversary of Ms. Huisentruit's disappearance. The Mason City Police Department is jurisdictionally responsible for the investigation and is still committed to finding Ms. Huisentruit and is diligently investigating all leads that might result in solving this case.

Ms. Huisentruit's disappearance had a profound impact on the entire state of Iowa and draws much needed attention to the many unsolved missing person cases in the state. The anguish of losing a loved one is increased exponentially in missing person cases by the lack of closure for family and friends.

Therefore, we ask the Mayor and City Council of Mason City to declare June 27, 2015, "Jodi Huisentruit Day" to honor her memory, to offer renewed condolences to Ms. Huisentruit's family and friends, and to urge the public to contact Iowa law enforcement authorities or the Federal Bureau of Investigation with any information related to the disappearance of Ms. Huisentruit or other missing persons.

Sincerely,

Members of the Iowa General Assembly

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