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The Honorable Charles E. Grassley Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate 224 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate 437 Russell Senate Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Leahy:

I write this letter in full support of the nomination of Loretta E. Lynch to be Attorney General of the United States. I have known Loretta for over a decade and have had the privilege of serving with her in the Department of Justice in my capacity as United States Marshal for the Southern District of New York where I served for more than twenty years until my retirement in 2013.

During that time, I personally observed Loretta discharge her duties as United States Attorney in the District in which I reside and attest to her deep conviction for truth, justice, and fairness. Loretta is a person of great integrity who is widely respected among her peers in federal, state and local law enforcement. On a personal level, she is compassionate, warm and approachable. Her management and leadership of the United States Attorney's Office and her knowledge and determination to enforce the laws of the United States in a non-partisan way make her an exceptional candidate for Attorney General.

Loretta E. Lynch has already been confirmed by the Committee on the Judiciary on two separate occasions for United States Attorney for the Eastern District of New York and I urge you to confirm her once again to be the next Attorney General of the United States where she will serve with great distinction.

I welcome any inquiries you or the Committee may have.

Very truly yours,

Joseph R. Guccione Managing Director