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Senator Jon Tester 311 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-2604

Re: Support for 9th Circuit Court of Appeals Judicial Nominee Anthony Johnstone

Dear Senator Tester:

Blackfeet Tribe writes to support Anthony Johnstone as a nominee to be a federal judge for the Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. Mr. Johnstone's resume speaks for itself and from our understanding he has experience in Indian Law and he also integrates Indian Law into his courses.

Johnstone has also been a leader and advocate for the success of Indigenous students at the University of Montana School of Law. These attributes lead the Blackfeet Tribe to believe that he is the best candidate to serve in the role as a federal judge on the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

The Blackfeet Tribe supports Mr. Johnstone as he is well qualified to be a fair judge that will understand the complexities of cases involving Indian law as well as the vast array of topics that will arise in the Ninth Circuit.

Sincerely,

Iliff "Scott" Kipp, Chairman Blackfeet Tribal Business Council