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The Honorable Charles E. Schumer Majority Leader United States Senate Room S-221, The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Richard J. Durbin Chairman Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate 224 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510 The Honorable Mitch McConnell Minority Leader United States Senate Room S-230, The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20510

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

Dear Majority Leader Schumer, Minority Leader McConnell, Chair Durbin & Ranking Member Grassley:

We write to offer our hearty support to the nomination of our colleague Beth Robinson to the 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals. Justice Robinson is an excellent jurist. She brings qualities of intellect, judgment and sound reasoning to decisions. She is collegial in conference and, through personal interactions, genuinely cares about court members and staff. Her work ethic and case preparation are exceptional.

Like other states, Vermont has faced a serious challenge to the administration of justice and the rule of law over the last number of months. Justice Robinson's significant work in response has been measured and articulate. Her contributions to the Vermont Supreme Court are unparalleled. Justice Robinson would be an excellent member of the 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals.

Sincerely,

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Paul L. Reiber Chief Justice

Karen R. Carroll

Associate Justice

Harold E. Eaton, Jr. Associate Justice

William D. Cohen

Associate Justice