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The Honorable Charles E. Grassley Chairman, United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary 135 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Richard J. Durbin Ranking Member, United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary 711 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

Re: Confirmation of former Florida Attorney General Pamela J. Bondi for Attorney General of the United States

Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Durbin:

We, the signatories below, are all former United States Attorneys who write in support of the confirmation of Pamela J. Bondi as Attorney General of the United States.

As former U.S. Attorneys, we are in a unique position to evaluate the qualifications of Pam Bondi to serve as our nation's Attorney General. United States Attorneys are the top-ranking federal law-enforcement officials of their jurisdictions, tasked with setting enforcement priorities, building trust with the communities they serve, and protecting the public while respecting federalism, the separation of powers, and the individual rights enshrined in the Constitution. It is not an easy job, but it is one that former Florida Attorney General Bondi understands as a critical state partner in one of the largest jurisdictions in the United States.

Ms. Bondi's tenure as Florida's Attorney General was marked by her unwavering commitment to justice and her relentless efforts to protect the citizens of Florida. Serving from 2011 to 2019, Bondi was the first woman to hold this esteemed position, and she brought a fresh perspective and dynamic leadership to the role. Her legal acumen and dedication to public service were evident in her numerous accomplishments, which included significant strides in consumer protection, human trafficking prevention, and environmental conservation. Attorney General Bondi's proactive approach and her ability to collaborate with various stakeholders made her a formidable force in the fight for justice and the betterment of Florida's communities.

One of Attorney General Bondi's most notable achievements was her vigorous fight against the opioid epidemic, a crisis that has devastated countless lives across the nation. Recognizing the urgent need for action, she spearheaded Florida's litigation against opioid manufacturers, holding them accountable for their role in the epidemic. Her efforts culminated in substantial settlements that provided much-needed resources for addiction treatment and prevention programs, including, critically, medication-assisted treatment. Ms. Bondi's leadership in this area not only brought

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justice to those affected by the crisis but also set a precedent for other states to follow, showcasing her ability to drive meaningful change on a national scale.

In addition to her work on the opioid crisis, former Attorney General Bondi led many other initiatives that bettered the lives of everyday people in Florida and set the agenda nationally:

- Former Attorney General Bondi was a staunch advocate for victims of human trafficking. She launched several initiatives aimed at increasing awareness, improving victim services, and enhancing law enforcement's ability to combat trafficking networks.
- Former Attorney General Bondi made significant strides in consumer protection. She was instrumental in securing multi-million dollar settlements from major corporations that engaged in deceptive practices, ensuring that Floridians were protected from fraud and abuse. Her efforts in this area included cracking down on mortgage fraud, leading to substantial relief for homeowners affected by the housing crisis. Her dedication to consumer rights demonstrated her commitment to holding powerful entities accountable and safeguarding the interests of everyday citizens.
- Former Attorney General Bondi focused on environmental conservation. She worked tirelessly to protect Florida's natural resources, including its waterways and wildlife. Ms. Bondi's office took legal action against polluters and advocated for stronger environmental regulations to preserve the state's unique ecosystems. Her efforts contributed to the restoration of the Everglades and the protection of endangered species, showcasing her dedication to maintaining Florida's environmental heritage for future generations.

Her tenure as Florida's Attorney General, and her service as an assistant state attorney in Hillsborough County for 18 years, were characterized by a deep sense of duty and an unwavering commitment to protecting all citizens equally, solidifying her legacy as a champion of justice and a tireless public servant.

As former U.S. Attorneys, we worked with and for many Attorneys General, each different, each with his or her own unique strengths. We have no doubt that Attorney General Bondi can do the job well, bringing to this critically important office her unique and extraordinary strengths of courage, humility, experience, and an inviolable promise to treat all people equally under the law.

We strongly urge you to support her confirmation.

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