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The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Leahy:

**CONFIRMATION OF UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
FERNANDO M. OLGUIN TO THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR
THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

It is with great pleasure that I write to support the confirmation of United States Magistrate Judge Fernando M. Olguin for the position of United States District Judge for the Central District of California. Judge Olguin was raised by his grandparents from a very young age and was the first member in his family to attend college, earning an undergraduate degree from Harvard and a law degree from UC Berkeley. Judge Olguin grew up in the San Gabriel Valley, and was the first Latino appointed to serve as a United States Magistrate Judge for the Central District of California. He has demonstrated a high level of professionalism in his nearly 11 years as a Magistrate Judge, and he has an excellent reputation in the Southern California legal community for fairness, integrity and public service. Everything that I have seen and know of Judge Olguin's record is clear to me that he is fair, levelheaded and committed to the just application of the law.

Law enforcement officers at all levels count on the rule of law to prevail in court. It is this confidence in our judicial system that underlies our steadfast commitment to doing our job right. In exchange for judicial independence, we ask that judges perform their duties with fairness, integrity and unbiased objectivity. I believe strongly that Judge Olguin possesses the integrity and sense of fairness that will enable him to serve as a United States District Judge to benefit us all. In short, I strongly urge you and your colleagues to confirm Judge Olguin's nomination.

Sincerely,

LEROY D. BACA
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