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

The Honorable Charles Grassley
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Dear Chairman Leahy and Ranking Member Grassley:

We write to support Srikanth Srinivasan's nomination for a seat on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.

All of us worked alongside Sri as law clerks at the U.S. Supreme Court during the 1997–98 Term. During that time, we became well acquainted with Sri's exceptionally strong legal acumen, keen intellect, excellent character, and unflappable good humor. Sri earned the greatest respect from all of his colleagues. Since his clerkship, Sri has served with great distinction in public service and private practice, most notably having served in the Office of the Solicitor General during the last two Administrations.

Sri personifies the values of professional excellence and personal character that the United States expects to see in its judges. We have no doubt that, should he be confirmed, Sri would epitomize the highest ideals of judicial demeanor and collegiality, and we support his nomination to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit without reservation.

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