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The Honorable Chuck Grassley
Chair, Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
135 Hart Senate Office Building
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The Honorable Dick Durbin
Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary
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Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Durbin:

We are a bipartisan group of lawyers who practice throughout the State of Ohio. Over the years, we have had the privilege of working with, opposing, or otherwise interacting with Judge Matthew Byrne in our practices. We write in our personal capacities to express our strong support for Matt's nomination and confirmation to the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio.

Matt has devoted his legal career to litigation and public service. He spent over thirteen years in private practice at Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP and Jackson Lewis P.C., representing clients ranging from small businesses to international corporations in state and federal trial and appellate courts. In 2020, he was elected to the Ohio Court of Appeals for the Twelfth District, where he now serves as Presiding Judge. Matt has also been selected to sit as a visiting judge on the Supreme Court of Ohio.

Throughout his career, Matt has distinguished himself as a thoughtful and disciplined advocate and jurist, earning widespread respect for the quality of his legal work, the effectiveness of his courtroom advocacy, and his unwavering commitment to the rule of law. His written work is precise and disciplined. His courtroom work is marked by clarity, candor, and deep preparation. He approaches each matter with intellectual rigor and professionalism, earning the respect of judges, colleagues, and counsel alike.

Equally important, Matt brings integrity and a judicial temperament to all aspects of his work. He listens carefully, examines the facts with care, and approaches legal questions with an open mind and a sincere desire to reach the correct result under the law. These qualities are especially vital in a federal district-court judge, who must manage complex

cases, preside over trials, and ensure that all parties receive fair and impartial treatment.

The undersigned disagree on many legal and policy issues, and we fully expect that we may not agree with every position Matt has taken or will take in the future. Nevertheless, we are united in our view that he possesses the legal ability, work ethic, and character to serve with distinction on the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio. He is a highly qualified nominee.

For these reasons, we respectfully urge the Committee and the United States Senate to confirm Matthew Byrne to the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio.

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