The Honorable Chuck Grassley Chairman Committee on the Judiciary U.S. Senate Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Dick Durbin Ranking Member Committee on the Judiciary U.S. Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Durbin:

I write to provide my strongest support of the nomination of John Eisenberg as Assistant Attorney General for National Security. I have known John for almost two decades, including the entire time of his distinguished career serving our country and protecting the national security of the United States.

John's deep and varied experience make him exceptionally qualified to head the Department of Justice's National Security Division. As General Counsel to the first three Directors of National Intelligence, I directly worked with John on critical legal issues addressing the highest priority national security threats facing the country. Despite being early in his career, John had the highest respect of senior Intelligence Community and Department of Justice leaders. He was often looked to for his highly valued input and advice on the most significant national security legal issues.

John's experience as Assistant to the President and Legal Advisor to the National Security Council for four years for President Trump provided him unmatched experience with the array of national security issues facing the country each day. His distinguished service resolving the most critical national security legal issues across agencies for four years provides the best qualification possible for his position at the National Security Division.

John will be an exceptional leader of this critical part of the Department of Justice mission. John has the highest level of integrity and intellectual rigor. He is a professional with the highest standards that he expects of himself and others.

In nominating John, the President has selected an exceptionally qualified person with both rare deep national security experience and the highest character expected of a leader at the Department of Justice. The country is fortunate that John has agreed to continue his distinguished career in public service. I urge his swift confirmation by the U.S. Senate.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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