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The Honorable Charles Grassley  
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Richard Durbin  
Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

***Re: Letter of support for Benjamin Flowers to be a circuit judge on the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit***

Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Durbin:

We, the undersigned Attorneys General of many States, write to express our strong support for the nomination of Benjamin Flowers to serve as a judge on the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit in Ohio. Mr. Flowers has a distinguished legal background, unwavering commitment to the rule of law, and exceptional character, making him uniquely qualified for this critical role in our judicial system.

Mr. Flowers is a proud graduate of The Ohio State University and earned his law degree from the University of Chicago Law School, one of the nation's leading legal institutions. Following his rigorous education, Mr. Flowers had the distinguished opportunity to clerk for Judge Sandra Ikuta of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and subsequently for Justice Antonin Scalia of the Supreme Court of the United States. These experiences not only honed his legal acumen but also instilled in him a profound respect for constitutional principles and the importance of textual interpretation.

In addition to serving in his clerkships, Mr. Flowers has accumulated a wealth of practical legal experience. He joined the law firm of Jones Day, where he focused on appellate litigation, and then served as Ohio's 10th Solicitor General, representing the State of Ohio in numerous courts, including the Supreme Court of the United States, the Supreme Court of Ohio, and the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit (where he prevailed three times before the en banc court). Mr. Flowers is among the most experienced advocates at the Supreme Court of Ohio, having briefed and argued numerous precedent-setting cases. After his time as Ohio Solicitor

General, Mr. Flowers stepped down to join the law firm Ashbrook Byrne Kresge LLC, which is now known as Ashbrook Byrne Kresge Flowers LLC.

As a potential judge, Mr. Flowers has already exhibited a profound respect for the written law and a commitment to a textualist interpretation of legal texts. He has publicly articulated his belief in the importance of understanding the original meaning of statutes and constitutional provisions, refusing to impose personal or political preferences on his interpretations. This strict textualist approach is crucial for ensuring that judicial decisions are grounded in the law as written, upholding the foundational principle of separation of powers that underpins our democratic system.

Mr. Flowers' experience in public service has instilled in him a deep understanding of the critical role that federal appellate judges play in safeguarding constitutional rights and ensuring that the law is applied equitably. Throughout his career, he has consistently demonstrated a commitment to fairness, integrity, and justice. His ability to remain impartial while maintaining a nuanced understanding of the law's implications will greatly enhance the Sixth Circuit's role in addressing the pressing issues facing our society.

In conclusion, we strongly support the nomination of Benjamin Flowers to the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit. His exceptional qualifications, commitment to the rule of law, and steadfast adherence to textualism make him an outstanding candidate for this important position. We urge you to consider his nomination favorably, as his appointment would greatly benefit the judiciary and the principles of justice, which we hold dear.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dave Yost". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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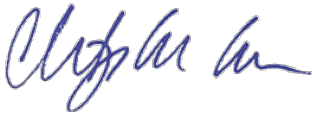
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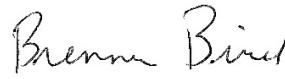
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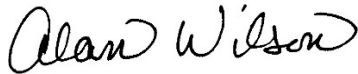
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