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The Honorable Chuck Grassley
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
135 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Dick Durbin
Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
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RE: Letter in Support of Eric J. Hamilton's Nomination to the District of Nebraska

Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Durbin:

We are Nebraska lawyers with varied legal practices, professional experiences, and political viewpoints. Based on our collective experience, we support Mr. Hamilton's nomination and believe that he would be an exceptional judge.

Mr. Hamilton was born and raised in Omaha, Nebraska. He then graduated from the University of Nebraska–Lincoln and completed his first year of law school at the University of Nebraska College of Law, ultimately finishing his legal education at Stanford Law School. After law school, Mr. Hamilton served as a law clerk to the Honorable Thomas M. Hardiman of the Third Circuit and entered private practice at a top law firm. Mr. Hamilton's subsequent legal career shows a commitment to public service. Mr. Hamilton has served as Associate Counsel to the President, as an Assistant Solicitor General for the Texas Attorney General, as Solicitor General of his home of State of Nebraska, and most recently as Deputy Assistant Attorney General for the Federal Programs Branch of the U.S. Department of Justice.

During his tenure as Solicitor General of Nebraska, Mr. Hamilton consistently filed high-quality briefs and presented polished and persuasive oral arguments before the Nebraska Supreme Court and multiple federal courts of appeals. Some of us litigated against or with Mr. Hamilton while he held that office. While we have diverse political views, we are united in supporting Mr. Hamilton's nomination, as he has proven himself to be an excellent lawyer, has carried himself with the utmost professionalism, and has shown himself to be thoroughly prepared for the substantial demands of being a federal judge.

We encourage the Committee and full Senate to confirm him without delay. Mr. Hamilton will serve the District of Nebraska well as a judge.

Respectfully,

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Former Attorney General of Nebraska

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