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The Honorable Lindsey Graham Chairman Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate 290 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein Ranking Member Committee on the Judiciary 331 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Members of the U.S. Senate and the Senate Committee on the Judiciary:

With the passing of the late Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, President Trump nominated Judge Amy Coney Barrett to fill the vacancy on the Supreme Court. I write in support of the confirmation of Judge Barrett.

Because so many impactful cases are now before the Court, the confirmation of Judge Barrett is of critical importance both to our country and to future generations of Americans. Judge Barrett possesses the judicial philosophy I believe is important to act as a bulwark for our Constitution and our institutions of government. She will respect the Constitution and defend the separation of powers. Judge Barrett strongly believes it is not the charge of the justices of the Supreme Court to legislate from the bench. Legislation is the responsibility of those, such as yourselves, we elect to Congress.

The late Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg herself supported election year Supreme Court nominations. Justice Ginsburg made clear that the Senate should take up Supreme Court nominations, saying in 2016, "That's their job." She went on to add, "There's nothing in the Constitution that says the President stops being President in his last year."

Despite the unconstitutional attacks on her personal faith, Judge Barrett is a person of outstanding character with impeccable credentials and excellent qualifications. For all of these reasons, we urge you to proceed with a fair and timely confirmation of Judge Amy Coney Barrett as the next Justice of U.S. Supreme Court.

Sincerely,

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