The Honorable Richard J. Durbin Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate 224 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Chuck E. Grassley Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate 224 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley,

I write to express support for the confirmation of Ms. Cindy Chung as a judge on the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. She is a respected member of the legal community and is an inspired choice for the court.

Ms. Chung is a brilliant, careful, and talented lawyer with impressive professional credentials and a strong commitment to fairness, equal justice, and the rule of law. I had the honor of working with her directly when I invited her to the US Attorney's office in Pittsburgh. She is excellent and it was a privilege.

Her confirmation would add a distinct, unique, and powerful voice to the court. The perspective that she would offer would help address the pressing need for a greater range of professional and personal experiences on the federal bench in general, and on the Third Circuit in particular. And that perspective would also benefit the Third Circuit, given the tremendous array of matters, interests, litigants, and issues that regularly come before the court.

She will be an outstanding member of the federal appellate bench and I offer my full, complete, and highest recommendation.

Should you have any questions or wish to talk, I can be reached at 412-965-2502.

Sincerely,

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