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The Honorable Richard Durbin

Chairman Senate Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Lindsey Graham

Ranking Member Senate Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Graham,

My name is Father Paul Yi, pastor of St. George Catholic Church in Baton Rouge, Louisiana which is a congregation of 3,500 families. I'm writing this letter on behalf of **Mr. Darrel Papillion** who is an outstanding, active, and long-time parishioner of St. George Catholic Church. Mr. Papillion has demonstrated great leadership and generosity by serving as board member of several organizations in our Catholic Diocese of Baton Rouge.

Over the years as pastor, I have grown to appreciate Mr. Papillion's dedication to his Catholic faith and his desire to foster faith in our community. He regularly leads early morning prayers and attends daily Mass at our church. His generosity toward our church parish has helped us create a prayerful space where school children and family can gather to pray. This prayer space was a dream of his to honor his deceased wife who passed in 2018. She herself was a woman of deep faith, and I became aware of how faith was so important to this couple.

I was delighted to learn that Mr. Papillon was nominated as a judge to the Eastern District of Louisiana. I know him to be a man of great integrity and faith. If I can be of assistance with anything, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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