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The Honorable Charles E. Schumer  
Majority Leader  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Minority Leader  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

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

The Honorable Charles E. Grassley  
Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

**Subject: Letter in Support of Ur Mendoza Jaddou, nominee for Director, US Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security**

Dear Majority Leader Schumer, Minority Leader McConnell, Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley:

I am writing to express our Union's support for Ms. Ur Mendoza Jaddou, President Biden's nominee for Director of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS). The National Citizenship and Immigration Services Council 119 represents over thirteen thousand federal employees who work at USCIS offices throughout the United States and abroad.

Ms. Jaddou has a long and distinguished career of service to our country. She has ably served the Congress of the United States as counsel and subject matter expert on immigration law and policy, and she has held the important position of Chief Counsel for USCIS – the agency she has been nominated to lead. With her experience, Ms. Jaddou is well-acquainted with the significant financial and operational challenges facing the Agency and understands the critical importance of accountability to the American people and their representatives in Congress. We are confident that she will be a strong partner to our Union as we work together to support the brave men and women who are charged with carrying out the noble mission of ensuring America's promise to millions of lawful immigrants and residents while safeguarding our national security.

We urge the Judiciary Committee to move swiftly to process Ms. Jaddou's nomination and the Senate to confirm her.

Respectfully submitted,

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