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The Honorable Richard J. Durbin
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The Honorable Mitchell McConnell
Minority Leader
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The Honorable Charles E. Grassley
Ranking Member
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Dear Majority Leader Schumer, Minority Leader McConnell, Chairman Durbin, and Ranking Member Grassley:

The National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE) formally acknowledges the work and commitment to service that has been exhibited by Ms. Natasha Merle.

Ms. Merle has displayed the qualities of leadership, empathy, excellence, and persistence in supporting and defending the U.S. Constitution while ensuring equal protection and justice for all Americans. This has been exhibited in roles such as a Federal Public Defender and Deputy Director of Litigation at the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund.

It is NOBLE's belief that Ms. Merle will help to ensure the delivery of its mission which is to ensure equity in the administration of justice in the provision of public service to all communities, and to serve as the conscience of law enforcement by being committed to Justice by Action.

In closing, this correspondence acts as a formal endorsement of Ms. Natasha Merle as the next judge to serve on the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York.

Sincerely,

Dwayne A. Crawford
Executive Director