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Statement in Support of the Nomination of Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson

Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson is a fitting nominee to the US Supreme Court. She received bipartisan support going through the vetting process last year for nomination to the Court of Appeals of the DC Circuit Court. President Biden is right to appoint her, and the Senate would fulfill its duty by confirming her nomination without delay.

Raised in Miami, Judge Jackson brings to the highest court in the land both the intellectual rigor of our finest educational opportunities and the real-life experience of coming from the ground up. The court has for too long lacked sufficient experience from both women and African Americans to know intuitively what the impact of law and precedent are for large swaths of the population. Without such working knowledge of life on the ground, there cannot be true equality before the law. The nation will be greatly served by Judge Jackson's personal insight and knowledge of the law.

At a moment when the legacy of the civil rights movement is coming under scrutiny, Judge Jackson brings the experience of serving as a federal public defender and on the US Sentencing Commission. Her judicial rulings have shown her commitment to addressing the excesses of mass incarceration, securing reproductive health care for the vulnerable, ensuring disability access in transportation, and protecting the rights of labor organizations.

Judge Jackson will enrich the conversation on the US Supreme Court in the pursuit of justice for all.

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