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United States Senate 50 Constitution Avenue, NE Washington, DC 20510

Dear Members of the United States Senate,

As diverse business organizations, many of whom are members of the <u>National Business Inclusion Consortium</u> (NBIC) and/or the <u>Small Business Roundtable</u> (SBR), we applaud President Biden's historic nomination of Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson to the Supreme Court of the United States — a long overdue nomination of a well-credentialed Black woman with a track record of strong bipartisan support to our nation's highest court — and urge the Senate to swiftly proceed with a fair hearing and confirmation.

The Supreme Court regularly rules on issues that impact businesses, and we all have a stake in the next Supreme Court Justice. Judge Jackson has the exceptional credentials, experience, character, and integrity needed to serve on the Supreme Court and make decisions in the best interest of our businesses, our people, and our country. She currently serves as a judge for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit, considered the second most important court in the U.S., and has a broad range of experience in the legal profession — as a federal appellate judge, a federal district court judge, a member of the bipartisan U.S. Sentencing Commission, an attorney in private practice, and as a federal public defender. Furthermore, she has been confirmed by the Senate on a bipartisan basis three times — twice as judge and once to serve on the U.S. Sentencing Commission.

A strong economy and stable democracy hinge upon a just judicial system, and we are confident that Judge Jackson will be an excellent addition to our nation's Supreme Court. Businesses need supportive policy, reliability, and predictability from our government, and we, like the <u>majority</u> of Americans, want the Senate to confirm Judge Jackson without delay.

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Airport Minority Advisory Council (AMAC)

National Asian Pacific Islander American Chamber of Commerce and Entrepreneurship (National ACE)

National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO)

National Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce (NGLCC)

National Minority Supplier Development Council (NMSDC)

National Veteran Owned Businesses Association (NaVOBA)

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Public Private Strategies Institute (PPSI)

Small Business for America's Future (SBAF)

United States Black Chamber of Commerce (USBC)

United States Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (USHCC)

Women Impacting Public Policy (WIPP)

cc: Senate Judiciary Staff