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The Honorable Richard Durbin
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
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The Honorable Charles Grassley
Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary
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Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley:

We are a bipartisan group of Dale Ho's classmates from the Yale Law School Class of 2005 who represent diverse backgrounds and career paths. We include current and former prosecutors, public defenders, judges, law professors, in-house counsel, administrators, corporate executives, entrepreneurs, non-profit professionals, public interest advocates, and law firm and solo practitioners, among other professions. We write jointly to express our strong support for Dale's confirmation to the District Court of the Southern District of New York and to offer our collective perspective on our colleague and friend of nearly two decades.

Although we reflect a wide range of ideological and political views – and include members of both major political parties – we share a common belief that the country deserves federal judges of the highest caliber who will attend to the matters and litigants before them with integrity and humility. Having known Dale since the formative years of his legal career nearly 20 years ago – with many of us keeping in touch with him since then – we hold a united conviction that he would be exactly this type of judge.

Dale's intelligence, collegiality, temperament, and work ethic are clear to us from our years alongside him in law school. We remember Dale not just for his careful and thoughtful approach to the law, but also for his ability to listen and engage with his classmates and professors in a reasoned and principled way that allowed for robust and open-minded debate. While we may not have always agreed on every legal issue we grappled with in law school – and we may not all agree with every decision Dale will make as a judge – we are confident that he will apply the laws and precedents of the United States fairly and objectively. In short, we believe Dale is more than qualified to make outstanding contributions to the third branch of government.

We are grateful for the opportunity to share this letter in support of Dale Ho and to recommend his confirmation to the federal bench. Thank you for your consideration and leadership.

Sincerely,

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