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

Re: Recommendation for Ryan Park for Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals

Dear Senator Durbin:

The Southern States Police Benevolent Association represents more than 70,000 members of law enforcement professionals in eleven southeastern states, including Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia.

Our Association respectfully urges you to support North Carolina Solicitor General Ryan Park's nomination for a judgeship on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. The judicial vacancy is a North Carolina seat.

As Solicitor General, our Association is familiar with Mr. Park and his outstanding service to the police community and our citizens. We have observed his advocacy in defense of officers on behalf of the state. Mr. Park has an appreciation of critically important principles of law absolutely essential to our members' mission to serve and protect our citizens.

We are aware of Mr. Park's extensive lifelong accomplishments and extraordinary intellect. Mr. Park's distinguished record demonstrates that he is committed to the rule of law and the enforcement of our Constitution for all citizens--including police officers.

We strongly support and stand with Solicitor General Park and respectfully request that you join us in a bipartisan effort to put an extraordinary individual and public servant on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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