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Senator Richard Durbin, Chairman
Senate Committee on the Judiciary
711 Hart Senate Office Building
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Senator Charles Grassley, Ranking Member
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135 Hart Senate Office Building
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Re: *Support for Kymberly Evanson as a United States District Court Judge*

Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley:

I write in my personal capacity to wholeheartedly support and endorse Kymberly Evanson for the position of United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington. I am currently the Chief Deputy City Attorney for Litigation for the City of Portland where I specialize in litigation. In fact, I have done litigation for my entire career. My career includes clerking for a Judge, more than five years with the United States Department of Justice where I won two outstanding attorney awards, and time in private practice. I hired Kymberly to assist the City of Portland on arguably the most significant case of my career. Over the course of many months, I observed Kymberly Evanson while working side by side with her. I am writing to provide my highest recommendation for her.

I can say that in my nearly 34 years of practice, I have not seen an attorney who rivals Kymberly in the areas of intelligence, discipline, commitment and work ethic. Kymberly has both the academic and personal qualities that make her an amazing lawyer. While working on the case, Kymberly continually achieved beyond expectations in both her writing and analysis of legal matters. She is conscientious, produced work that was thorough and well organized and always maintained a positive attitude. She assisted the City of Portland with her expert legal work and every day brought a positive and thoughtful attitude toward her work. These traits were exhibited to everyone, including the City's team and opposing counsel who immediately recognized Kymberly as an expert in her field and gave her their total respect and admiration. Stated simply, her work was impressive in all phases.

In addition to Kymberly's skills and intelligence, one thing that set her apart is that she always went above and beyond the routine duties and assignments at hand. Kymberly has an inherent curiosity and understanding of the law and has an absolute desire to pursue it. In a very short time, Kymberly was able to grasp how legal requirements relate to the

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type of claim and how the evidence involved in a particular case fits within that structure. I relied upon and valued Kymberly's opinion unequivocally.

Kymberly would be a dedicated United States District Judge and I recommend her with the absolute highest respect and confidence of her success. The City of Portland will be forever indebted to Kymberly for her work on behalf of the City.

Very truly yours,



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