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Dear Senator,

For many years I have been disappointed in numerous decisions of the United States Supreme Court and other judicial components of our government. Too often, I see justices legislating from the bench and finding new interpretations and applications of our founding documents such as the Constitution. This has produced an environment of judicial activism and a rulership of our nation by unelected judges.

Recently, President Bush has nominated John G. Roberts to the United States Supreme Court. I have studied Judge Roberts' personal and professional background and find that he is a brilliant jurist, a man of integrity and stands firmly against judicial activism and tyranny. Judge Roberts seems to be a strict constructionist who will interpret the Constitution and the laws of our land rather than legislate from the bench. I urge you to support the nomination of Judge Roberts to the Supreme Court, to demand an up-or-down vote by the end of September and to stand with President Bush in seeing that Roberts not only receives a just and fair hearing before the full Senate, but also is confirmed to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Sincerely,

Rick Schatz
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NATIONAL COALITION COMMENTS ON PRESIDENT BUSH'S SUPREME COURT NOMINEE

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Cincinnati – The National Coalition for the Protection of Children & Families is encouraged by President Bush's recent U.S. Supreme Court nomination of U.S. Circuit Court Judge John Roberts.

"Judge Roberts possesses not only the intellectual aptitude to fill the Supreme Court role, but also the commitment to strictly interpret the Constitution and not legislate from the bench," said Rick Schatz, president and CEO of the National Coalition.

Judge Roberts, if elected by the Senate to the U.S. Supreme Court, will assume the position of retiring Justice Sandra Day O'Connor.

"It is in the best interest of our country to fill Justice O'Connor's vacancy as quickly as possible," added Schatz. "With Roberts' credentials as a D.C. Circuit Court Judge and previous clerk for chief justice Rehnquist, there is no reason for the Senate to prolong the confirmation process."

Judge Roberts' final remarks last night at the nomination were especially encouraging: "I also want to acknowledge my children, my daughter Josie, my son Jack, who remind me every day why it's so important for us to work to preserve the institutions of our democracy."

"Judge Roberts has a clear commitment to his children and family. I believe he will continue to protect the foundations and institutions of the Constitution by carrying this conviction with him to the Supreme Court," said Schatz.

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