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Honorable Senator Patrick J. Leahy
Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee
433 Russell Senate Office Building
United States Senate
Washington, DC. 20510

Dear Senator Leahy:

As Chairman of the New York City Housing Authority, I enthusiastically support the nomination of the Honorable Sonia Maria Sotomayor to the United States Supreme Court.

Judge Sotomayor is uniquely qualified to serve on our Nation's Highest Court. There are few candidates who can match her academic achievements, her distinguished career as first a federal district judge and now a member of the prestigious Second Circuit Court of Appeals, and her inspiring life experience.

It is with particular pride that the New York City Housing Authority stands behind the nomination of Judge Sotomayor, who for many of her formative years called the New York City Housing Authority's Bronxdale Houses home. Judge Sotomayor's illustrious public service is a testament to the important role that public housing plays in the life of our nation.

By confirming Judge Sotomayor, the Senate will not only ensure the United States Supreme Court of another intellectually superior justice, but will also make significant strides in ensuring that all branches of government reflects the diversity that make this nation great.

Respectfully,

Ricardo Elías Morales
Chairman