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

Re: Judge Sonia Sotomayor:

Dear Honorable Patrick Leahy:

This letter is written in support of confirming Judge Sonia Sotomayor on the U.S. Supreme Court as nominated by President Obama. We are firmly convinced that Sotomayor will be an enhancement to the Supreme Court and will ultimately serve the American people well. The Supreme Court makes decisions which impact the lives of every American for decades at a minimum if not centuries. The Latino population has contributed considerably to the making of America and is woven throughout the nation with loyal Latinos who have sacrificed their lives for America in practically all of America's wars. Latinos represent a significant number of purple heart heroes in World War II and Vietnam as well as in Iraq. The American cowboy is in part an outgrowth from a rich Hispanic American heritage. American food, culture, land surveying and law all have been influenced by the Hispanic culture. Today, America is composed of a multi-ethnic composition, with Hispanics representing a major portion of that composition.

Latinos have earned their right to be represented at the highest levels of government and deserve every opportunity to advance in every branch of government. Latinos are hard working people, contribute significantly to the economy, pay taxes and serve in the armed forces for the benefit of all Americans. It is time for the Congress to recognize the Hispanic community with the confirmation of Judge Sonia Sotomayor.

I will not speak to her qualifications, as you have more than enough information and data on her capability but I will say that she does have roots in the Latino community which is part of the American fabric. We believe the background and experience she has will give the Supreme Court an added benefit and resource as it grapples with cases which impact American citizens of all persuasions and ethnicities. The strength of this nation is based on the diversity of talent of all of its people. We are extremely excited by the President's nomination of Judge Sotomayor and urge a quick confirmation of a proud American who will give serious and fair deliberations on all the cases which she will be involved in.

Sincerely,



Rodrigo T. Garcia, P.E.