



GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

February 25, 2016

The Honorable Charles Grassley
Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee
The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy
Ranking Member, Judiciary Committee
224 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Re: Nomination of Judge Lucy Koh to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals

Dear Chairman Grassley and Senator Leahy,

More than eight years ago, I appointed Judge Lucy Koh to be a Superior Court Judge for California's Santa Clara County, the heart of Silicon Valley. I then watched with pride as she excelled in all aspects of her duties and was later confirmed unanimously as a U.S. District Court Judge in 2010.

I chose Judge Koh initially based on her many achievements as a federal prosecutor, an attorney for the U.S. Department of Justice, and a litigator in two major law firms. Based on her distinguished service as a state judge, I wrote a letter of endorsement when she was nominated for the federal bench, concluding that she "exemplifies the very best of the legal profession and will be an excellent federal judge" (January 29, 2010). I also noted the breadth and diversity of her support within the legal community in California and nationally.

Nothing has changed, except that Judge Koh has since compiled a record in federal criminal and civil matters that is second to none (ranging from immigration offenses and securities fraud to some of the most complex civil cases that the information technology industry has produced). I support Judge Koh's confirmation with great enthusiasm.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Arnold Schwarzenegger".

Arnold Schwarzenegger

Robert B. Cunningham