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The Honorable Charles Grassley
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Dear Senators Grassley and Feinstein:

As members of the Iowa House of Representatives, we would encourage all members of the United States Senate to confirm Judge Brett Kavanaugh in a respectful and efficient manner.

Senators Grassley and Ernst know better than most how important it is for elected officials to listen to the people they represent. That's why we have spent the past several months knocking on doors to talk with Iowans. What we consistently hear is that they have grown tired of the obstructionism that they constantly see from Washington DC. Iowans expect Congress to do its work and address the priorities of the people that elected them.

You can begin restoring the trust of these folks by quickly confirming Judge Brett Kavanaugh as our next Justice to the Supreme Court.

Americans deserve a Supreme Court Justice who is fair and has a deep respect for the rule of law. Most importantly, they deserve someone who interprets our Constitution the way it is written, rather than performing mental gymnastics to reach a pre-determined outcome based on personal preference. Judge Kavanaugh exhibits these important qualities which makes him clearly qualified to serve.

Judge Kavanaugh's educational, professional, and personal achievements are unmatched. He earned his B.A. from Yale College, graduating with honors, and went on to earn his law degree from Yale Law School. Following graduation, he clerked for several judges, most notably Justice Anthony Kennedy, and held a number of legal roles in both the public and private sectors. He was appointed to the United State Court of Appeals in 2006.

Judge Kavanaugh is also widely respected in the judicial community and by members of both political parties. When first nominated to the Court of Appeals, he was confirmed with bipartisan support and his writings have been cited by numerous judges and other legal professionals.

While some may not agree with every position he has taken during his long legal career, there is near universal agreement that he is highly qualified to serve on the Supreme Court.

Americans are tired of gridlock. Show your constituents that you are capable of doing what they sent you to Washington to do, and quickly confirm Judge Brett Kavanaugh as our next Justice on the Supreme Court.

Respectfully,

Representative Linda Upmeyer
Speaker of the House

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cc: President Donald Trump
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