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- TO THE HONORABLE GEORGE W. BUSH, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,

 AND TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF
- 3 REPRESENTATIVES, AND TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 4 UNITED STATES, IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED:
- We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Washington, in legislative session assembled, respectfully represent and petition as follows:
- 8 WHEREAS, Miguel Estrada has been nominated by President George W.
- 9 Bush to serve on the United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the
- 10 District of Columbia; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Miguel Estrada was unanimously rated "well qualified" by
- 12 the American Bar Association, the bar's highest rating in evaluating
- 13 judicial candidates; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Miguel Estrada would be the first Hispanic judge to sit on
- 15 the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia
- 16 Circuit; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Miguel Estrada's nomination has been supported in
- 18 bipartisan fashion by Ron Klain, adviser to former Vice President Gore
- 19 and Seth Waxman, former Solicitor General under President Bill Clinton;
- 20 and

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WHEREAS, Miguel Estrada received the highest possible rating of "outstanding" in every possible category on his performance reviews during his service in the Office of the Solicitor General; and

WHEREAS, Miguel Estrada has been nominated to a circuit court where only two-thirds of the existing seats are currently filled;

NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the United States Senate confirm Miguel Estrada to serve as a judge on the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia.

BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately transmitted to the Honorable George W. Bush, President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and each member of Congress from the State of Washington.

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