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United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Durbin, Ranking Member Grassley, and Committee Members:

On behalf of the 200,000 advocates of National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW), I write to express our support for the nomination of Jennifer Sung to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

A union organizer-turned-labor attorney, Jennifer Sung has spent her career advocating for workers' rights. She is currently a member of the Oregon Employment Relations Board, hearing labor disputes from thousands of workers covered by collective bargaining agreements in the public and private sectors. Prior to her current role, Sung worked at several law firms, including as a partner at McKanna Bishop Joffe, LLP, representing labor organizations and employees in civil litigation, arbitration and agency proceedings, contract negotiations, policy development, and professional licensing matters. At Altshuler Berzon LLP, she gained significant experience in class action and constitutional litigation. Early in her legal career, Sung served as a clerk on the very court to which she has been nominated. Before entering the legal field, Sung worked for Service Employees International Union organizing workers to win union representation.

In addition to her professional expertise, Sung would bring much needed demographic diversity to the court as the first Asian-American woman on the Ninth Circuit from Oregon. Sung's background gives her a deep understanding of the challenges working families face — a particularly valuable lens for the Ninth Circuit, which covers some of the highest unionization rates in the country.

NCJW has long worked for a federal bench that reflects the communities it serves, with fair, independent, and qualified judges who will provide equal justice for all. Indeed, our tradition has been clear about the problem of a partisan judiciary beholden to special interests, "Judges should not show favoritism even to those who appointed them....judges should judge all the people justly" (*Kli Yakar on Deut 16:18*).

Sung is an exceptional nominee who would judge justly. **NCJW urges you to support the nomination of Jennifer Sung to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.**

Sincerely,



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