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The Honorable Lindsey O. Graham
Chairman
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Dianne G. Feinstein
Ranking Member
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Graham and Senator Feinstein,

On behalf of the National District Attorneys Association (NDAA), the largest prosecutor organization in the country representing 2,500 elected and appointed District Attorneys across the United States as well as 40,000 Assistant District Attorneys, I write to express our support for William Barr to be the next Attorney General of the United States of America. The President's nominee is eminently qualified to serve as the nation's chief law enforcement officer.

William Barr's distinguished past service to the Department of Justice (DOJ) bolsters his credentials as an ideal candidate to be confirmed as the 85th Attorney General of the United States. First joining the Department after years of work for the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) and Reagan Administration, Barr earned his reputation as an effective leader through prioritizing public safety while serving as Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Legal Counsel and as the Deputy Attorney General of the United States. Following his tenure as Deputy Attorney General, President George H.W. Bush nominated Barr to be the 77th Attorney General of the United States. Based on his reputation for combatting violent crime and providing ethical oversight of DOJ initiatives, Barr was confirmed unanimously by the United States Senate.

NDAA encourages the United States Senate to once again swiftly confirm William Barr as Attorney General of the United States based on his previous experience as the Department's leader. Barr's track record of committing resources to preserving public safety assures us that the nominee will continue the Department's effort to maintain open lines of communication with prosecutors in the field. Further, we are excited by the opportunity to discuss new ways in which DOJ can partner with state and local prosecutors and law enforcement to better protect the communities they serve.

Over the past two years, DOJ has placed an emphasis on improving the relationship between state and local prosecutors and their federal partners. NDAA is committed to continuing this partnership and advancing the goal of ensuring the safety and wellness of our communities nationwide. We are confident that William Barr will reaffirm the Department's commitment to assisting state and local law enforcement in our shared mission.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jonathan W. Blodgett".

Jonathan Blodgett
President