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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

WHEREAS, Neomi Rao has been nominated to fill the vacant seat on the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit; and

WHEREAS, Rao was a law professor at the Antonin Scalia Law School at George Mason University where she taught and wrote in the areas of structural constitutional law, administrative law, and legislation and statutory interpretation; and

WHEREAS, during Rao's tenure as law professor, she founded the law school's Center for the Study of the Administrative State and focused her scholarship on the political and constitutional accountability of the administrative state, particularly considering the role of Congress; and

WHEREAS, before taking on her current role in the executive branch, Rao served in all three branches of the federal government; and

WHEREAS, Rao served as associate counsel and special assistant to the president for the George W. Bush administration; and

WHEREAS, Rao also served as counsel to the United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary where she was responsible for judicial nominations and constitutional law issues; and

WHEREAS, Rao currently serves as the Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA); and

WHEREAS, in her current role as Administrator for OIRA, Rao has played a key role in regulatory reform which, according to the White House, has saved American families and businesses twenty-three billion dollars in fiscal year 2018 by getting rid of unduly burdensome and unnecessary regulations; and

30 **WHEREAS**, if confirmed by the Senate, Rao would join the United States Court of
31 Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit in which she would hear cases determining the
32 legality of federal regulations:
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34 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that we, the members of the Missouri House
35 of Representatives, One Hundredth General Assembly, First Regular Session, hereby urge the
36 United States Senate to confirm Neomi Rao as Judge to the United States Court of Appeals for
37 the District of Columbia Circuit; and
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39 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of
40 Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the
41 Majority Leader and Minority Leader of the Senate and to all members of the Missouri
42 Congressional delegation.

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