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## Dear Senator,

I write to advise you that Susan B. Anthony List, on behalf of our more than 900,000 members from all 50 states, will score against the confirmation of Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. We oppose her confirmation because her record of judicial activism and inability to define basic terms such as "life" disqualify her from serving on the nation's highest Court.

As candidate for president, Joe Biden pledged to nominate to the Court only those who would uphold the jurisprudential doctrine of *Roe v. Wade*. The pro-abortion lobby was delighted with the nomination of Judge Jackson, while the pro-life community was alarmed. Judge Jackson coauthored an amicus brief in a Massachusetts case about a "buffer zone" law. She described pro-life sidewalk counselors as a "hostile, noisy crowd of 'in-your-face' protesters" and called their efforts to offer compassionate alternatives to abortion "indisputably harmful to a medical patient's physical well-being." <sup>1</sup> Eleanor McCullen, the lead plaintiff in an earlier buffer zone case, testified before the Judiciary Committee, powerfully portraying the compassion and love with which she and other sidewalk counselors walk with moms and their babies. She expressed her disappointment that Judge Jackson had sided against free speech in the *McGuire v. Reilly* case that grossly misrepresented and attempted to undercut the efforts of counselors like herself.

During the Senate Judiciary Committee confirmation hearings this past week, senators asked Judge Jackson many thoughtful, poignant questions about life, abortion, and the law. While Judge Jackson was unable to answer questions surrounding ongoing litigation, there were several answers she gave—or refused to give—that were both illuminating and deeply troubling. She could not answer basic questions that are fundamental to the ability to administer justice fairly and impartially. For example, Judge Jackson said she did not know when life begins, she did not know how to define "woman," and she did even not know at what point a person is entitled to equal protection under the law. With answers such as these, it is clear that Judge Jackson cannot be relied upon to protect the inalienable rights of all citizens, born and unborn, mothers and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Brief in Support of Defendants-Appellants by Amici Curiae Women's Bar Association of Massachusetts; Abortion Access Project of Massachusetts, et. al., McGuire v. Reilly, 260 F.3d 36 (1st Cir. 2001).

children. Further, she seemed confused about the ideas of viability and fetal pain, and treated infanticide as a question under the umbrella of abortion.

Susan B. Anthony List strongly opposes and will score against votes related to the confirmation of Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson to the United States Supreme Court.

Sincerely,

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