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Senator Roland W. Burris Statement on Supreme Court Nominee Sonia Sotomayor

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today, United States Senator Roland W. Burris issued a statement on the nomination of Sonia Sotomayor to the Supreme Court:

“As a former Attorney General, I applaud President Obama’s selection of Judge Sonia Sotomayor as his nominee to replace Justice Souter in the United States Supreme Court,” said Senator Burris. “Judge Sotomayor has demonstrated over her distinguished career that she has a firm grasp of constitutional law, an even judicial temperament, and first-hand knowledge of how the legal system can impact the lives others. Throughout her career, Judge Sotomayer has worked to build consensus among fellow judges that may not share her views about a particular issue. As the first Hispanic member of the Supreme Court, Judge Sotomayor would bring real diversity to the high court and its decisions. Judge Sotomayor has shown that not only does she have the ability to interpret the law, but can forge a partnership among judges of different ideological stripes to better serve the people.”

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