



April 5, 2017

U.S. Senate  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Senator:

On behalf of Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC), a national construction industry trade association with 70 chapters representing more than 21,000 members, I am writing to express our strong support for Judge Neil Gorsuch of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 10<sup>th</sup> Circuit, who has been nominated to serve as an associate justice of the Supreme Court. ABC urges you to vote YES on cloture to prevent a partisan filibuster and ensure that the Senate has the opportunity to vote on Judge Gorsuch's nomination. ABC will consider the vote on cloture a **KEY VOTE** for our 115th Congressional Scorecard.

With a strong record of judicial integrity and respect for the Constitution, Judge Gorsuch is an exceptional choice to serve on the Supreme Court, and we applaud the Trump Administration for his nomination. Given that Judge Gorsuch's appointment to the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals on July 20, 2006, was approved by voice vote without opposition, we believe there should be bipartisan support for his nomination to serve as an associate justice of the Supreme Court.

Judge Gorsuch endured countless hours in front of the Senate Judiciary Committee – only to be successfully approved – further demonstrating there is no reason to oppose his confirmation. Filling the vacancy on the Supreme Court is one of ABC's top priorities for the Trump Administration, and we encourage the Senate to act quickly to restore the court to its full strength.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Kristen Swearingen'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kristen Swearingen  
Vice President of Legislative & Political Affairs