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Dear Senator,

AdvanceUSA heartily supports the nomination and confirmation of Judge John Roberts, Jr. to the Supreme Court of the United States, and we urge you to do the same.

The legal acumen and judicial temperament of Judge Roberts is distinguished and undeniable. His reputation for professionalism and skill is clear in light of the "well qualified" rating the American Bar Association granted him. His confirmation by the Senate in 2003 to the District of Columbia Circuit Court of Appeals demonstrates the broad bi-partisan support he has received and now deserves.

There have been many attacks on Judge Roberts subsequent to his nomination by President Bush on Tuesday, July 19, 2005. These attacks have ranged from the silly to the sinister, from the Roberts children's wardrobe to the anachronistic account of his legal opinions and an abortion opponent's illegal protest activity.

The nomination of John Roberts followed consultation on an unprecedented scale by the White House. This nomination deserves the dignity and respect that is the underlying principle of the Senate's finest moments and tradition. Specifically, the nomination of John Roberts deserves fair and dignified hearings, vigorous factual debate, and a fair up-or-down vote by the full Senate in time for the commencement of the next Supreme Court term beginning Monday, October 3, 2005.

AdvanceUSA requests that you use your influence and position as a United States senator to ensure that each of these components occurs. Further we urge you to vote in favor of Judge John Roberts' confirmation to the Supreme Court of the United States.

Sincerely,
Dr. Carl Herbster
President

cc: Senator Bill Frist, Majority Leader
Senator Arlen Specter, Judiciary Committee Chairman
Senator Rick Santorum, Senate Republican Conference Chairman
Senator Mitch McConnell, Senate Majority Whip
Senator Jon Kyl, Republican Policy Committee Chairman