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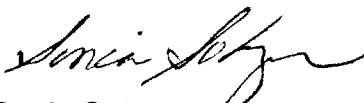
Honorable Patrick J. Leahy
Chairman, United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Honorable Jeff Sessions
Ranking Member, United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary
152 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Leahy and Senator Sessions:

I am writing to inform you that I have resigned from the Belizean Grove, effective today. I believe that the Belizean Grove does not practice invidious discrimination and my membership did not violate the Judicial Code of Ethics, but I do not want questions about this to distract anyone from my qualifications and record.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sonia Sotomayor".

Sonia Sotomayor