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Dear Governor Reynolds:

I am writing this letter to you in support of Judicial Candidate Jason Besler. I have practiced law in Cedar Rapids for over 36 years and have been fortunate to get to know Mr. Besler both professionally and personally. Mr. Besler has all of the qualities to make a great trial judge. Over the years, I have had many cases with him and have seen first-hand his abilities in and out of the courtroom. Mr. Besler is a masterful legal tactician and his direct and cross examination skills are exceptional. I have also had the pleasure of observing Mr. Besler prosecuting both murder and sex abuse cases. While Mr. Besler may appear to be a low-key individual, he brings a great deal of energy to the courtroom.

Lastly, I would respectfully request that you consider the fact that the Sixth Judicial District is virtually devoid of any judges who would be considered "conservative". At present, the Sixth Judicial District is clearly the bastion of liberal and democratic power and many of our judges' rulings reflect this point of view. It would be my strong recommendation that Mr. Besler be appointed our next District Court Judge for the Sixth Judicial District of Iowa.

Respectfully submitted,

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