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February 12, 2020

Governor Gavin Newsom  
California State Capitol, Suite 1173  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: Urge to nominate LGBTQ California Supreme Court Justice**

Dear Governor Newsom,

On behalf of the California Legislative LGBTQ Caucus, we encourage you to seize the historic opportunity presented with the retirement of Associate Justice Ming W. Chin by nominating to the California Supreme Court its first openly LGBTQ identified justice.

California has many highly qualified LGBTQ candidates, including appellate justices, trial judges, legal scholars, and attorneys.

Nominating an LGBTQ justice would send a powerful message of California's leadership and values, and it would highlight the success California has achieved in making the state's judiciary better reflect its rich diversity. The time has come for an openly LGBTQ justice to sit on our state's highest court.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Scott Wiener". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Scott" being more prominent.

**SCOTT WIENER**

Senator, 11th Senate District  
Chair, California Legislative LGBTQ Caucus

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Todd Gloria". The signature is cursive and somewhat stylized, with the last name "Gloria" being more prominent.

**TODD GLORIA**

Assemblymember, 78th Assembly District  
Vice-Chair, California Legislative LGBTQ Caucus