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RNLA Statement in Support of William Barr's Confirmation as Attorney General of the United States

Washington, D.C. — The Republican National Lawyers Association (RNLA) strongly supports President Donald Trump's nominee to be the next United States Attorney General, the **Honorable William P. Barr**, and urges the Senate to confirm him swiftly.

Mr. Barr has been confirmed by the Senate three times, each time without a single vote in opposition. The Senate Judiciary Committee voted unanimously to recommend his confirmation as attorney general under President George H.W. Bush in 1991. Both Republicans and Democrats supported his confirmation, and Senate Democrats praised him on the Senate floor prior to the voice vote to confirm him just over a month after his nomination.

Prior to his service as Attorney General, he served as Deputy Attorney General and Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Legal Counsel at the Department of Justice. Since serving as attorney general, he has had a distinguished career of private practice and was a member of the RNLA's Board of Visitors.

RNLA Vice President for Communications Harmeet Dhillon said of Mr. Barr: "In both public service and private practice, Bill Barr's integrity, professionalism, and commitment to upholding the rule of law have been praised by people on both sides of the aisle. He is a skilled lawyer who is eminently qualified to be the next attorney general, having previously served honorably in that position, and he should receive bipartisan support in the Senate once again."

RNLA Executive Director Michael Thielen further said: "General Barr has proven that he is both qualified and able to lead the Department of Justice. Senate Democrats should recognize that, in the words of their colleague Senator Leahy, General Barr will be 'an independent voice for all Americans' and vote to confirm him promptly. General Barr's nomination should not be used as another way to 'resist' President Trump and try to overturn the results of the 2016 election."

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