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To my friends at the Moritz College of Law and the Ohio State Law Journal:

It is my distinct honor to send greetings on the occasion of the Symposium marking the fifteenth anniversary of the remarkable Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg's appointment to the Supreme Court.

Long before joining the Supreme Court, Justice Ginsburg made significant contributions to American jurisprudence and to the causes of civil rights and equality.

As a Justice on the Court, she has continued to advance equality in cases involving employment, voting and reproductive rights. I particularly note her forceful dissents from cramped interpretations of the intent of Congress in the Lilly Ledbetter case and the recent Section 2 voting rights case and her invitation for a Congressional response.

Justice Ginsburg understands that the stakes in preserving an independent judiciary and the checks and balances of our governmental system are profound—that an independent judiciary serves as guardian of our Constitution, our individual rights, the rule of law, and is a model to the rest of the world. In supporting the Court's decisions on Guantanamo and habeas corpus, she has upheld principles that Americans live by and promote around the world.

My congratulations to Justice Ginsburg, the law school and the law journal.

best regards,

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