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## ***LEGISLATIVE ALERT!***

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Dear Senator:

On behalf of the AFL-CIO, I am writing to urge you to support the nomination of U.S. Magistrate Judge Edward M. Chen to the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California.

Judge Chen is a highly qualified judicial nominee who has demonstrated independence of thought and respect for the Constitution throughout his career. The vacancy that Judge Chen has been nominated to fill has been classified as a "judicial emergency," and it is critical that Judge Chen be swiftly confirmed.

Judge Chen is a principled and fair-minded judge who has waited far too long for a Senate vote on his nomination. He deserves a seat on the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California, and I urge you to vote for his confirmation.

Sincerely,

William Samuel, Director  
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