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MAYOR ADAMS' STATEMENT ON HISTORIC NOMINATION OF JUDGE KETANJI BROWN JACKSON TO U.S. SUPREME COURT

NEW YORK – New York City Mayor Eric Adams today released the following statement after President Joseph Biden nominated U.S. Circuit Court Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson as an Associate Justice to the U.S. Supreme Court:

"Throughout our history, extraordinary people have run their leg of the relay toward a fairer, more just society. Harriet Tubman ran her leg of the relay. Rosa Parks ran her leg, as did Shirley Chisholm and Marsha P. Johnson, and so many more. And then New York's own Judge Constance Baker Motley opened the doors as the first Black female federal judge in our nation. Now, with her history-making nomination, Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson is poised to continue her leg of the relay as the first Black woman to be nominated as an Associate Justice to the highest court in the land. Throughout her impressive legal career, Judge Jackson has been a clear and consistent voice for the voiceless, and someone who has been willing to identify and address the enduring inequalities that still plague our nation. Not only does Judge Jackson's nomination represent an historic moment for this country, but by making her his first Supreme Court pick, President Biden is showing that he is serious about having a court that better reflects the diversity of the United States. I commend President Biden on this stellar choice, and I thank Associate Justice Stephen Breyer for his years of service to this nation."

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