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IN THE SECOND DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL, DIVISION SEVEN,

OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

The Association of Deputy District Attorneys for Los Angeles County,

Petitioner and Respondent,

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George Gascón, et al.,

Appellants.

On Appeal from the Superior Court of Los Angeles, Case Number 20STCP04250, The Honorable James Chalfant, Presiding APPLICATION OF PROPOSED AMICUS CURIAE CALIFORNIA DISTRICT ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION TO FILE AMICUS BRIEF

IN SUPPORT OF RESPONDENT

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TO THE HONORABLE DENNIS M. PERLUSS, PRESIDING JUSTICE, AND TO THE HONORABLE ASSOCIATE JUSTICES OF THE SECOND DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL, DIVISION SEVEN:

The California District Attorneys Association (CDAA) hereby makes application to this Court to submit the accompanying proposed amicus curiae brief under rule 8.200(c)(1) of the California Rules of Court.

Applicant's Interest in the Proceedings (Rule 8.200(c)(2))

CDAA is a statewide organization serving the collective interests and educational goals of District Attorneys' offices. As part of its role, CDAA keeps its members apprised of developments in the law that impacts those members, and acts as a voice for the common interests of those members.

Through its various committees, CDAA also plays an active role in the participation of its members when cases of interest are pending before the Supreme Court of California or in the District Courts of Appeal. When important issues of law arise in cases about which CDAA becomes aware, CDAA seeks to serve as amicus to provide more complete and balanced briefing to the courts.

The San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office (SBCDA) is the primary prosecutorial agency handling criminal cases within the county of San Bernardino. San Bernardino is the largest geographical county in the state, and the fifth largest county in terms of population after Los Angeles, San Diego, Orange, and Riverside Counties.

Both CDAA and SBCDA have an interest in this litigation because of shared commitments to the rule of law in California. Where one elected district attorney acts to nullify the state's legislature and electorate by fiat, equal protection concerns spread

throughout the state. While SBCDA's concern is immediate, due to a shared boundary with Los Angeles County, prosecutors throughout the state are impacted since crime rarely confines itself within one geopolitical boundary.

Purpose and Assistance of Proposed CDAA Amicus Brief (Rule 8.200(c)(2))

The accompanying Proposed Brief of Amicus Curiae California District Attorneys Association in Support of Respondent will assist this Court by providing the perspective of career California prosecutors who spend their professional lives working to achieve justice for the victims of crime and devoting themselves to the rule of law. CDAA and its members maintain a commitment to speaking for the victims of crime where those victims and their family members might otherwise be forgotten or cast aside under the guise of "reform." By providing a brief in support of the Respondent, CDAA seeks to provide this Court with a voice truly indicative of the position of California trial prosecutor who remember the names and faces of those who have been harmed through criminal conduct.

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Authorship of the Brief (Rule 8.200(c)(3))

CDAA's proposed brief was authored by signing counsel. No party or counsel to a party in the case presently before this Court contributed to its contents in any way, either as author or through monetary support. Similarly, no person or entity other than CDAA and its counsel for these proceedings provided any monetary contribution for preparation or submission of the brief.

Respectfully submitted this 20th day of December, 2021,

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PROOF OF ELECTRONIC SERVICE (RULES OF COURT, RULE 8.78(F))

Pursuant to rule 8.78(f) of the California Rules of Court, the undersigned declares under penalty of perjury that the following is true and correct:

I am over eighteen years of age, not a party to the within cause, and am employed by the San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office, located at 303 W. Third St., San Bernardino, California 92415. My email address is rbrown@sbcda.org.

On December 20, 2021, I served true copies of the foregoing Application of Proposed Amicus Curiae California District Attorneys Association to File Amicus Brief in Support of Respondent on the parties in this action:

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Executed on December 20, 2021, San Bernardino, California.

Robert P. Brown