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Alianza Americas Denounces the Appointment of Judge Amy Cney Barrett for a Lifetime Appointment to the U.S. Supreme Court

CHICAGO- Tonight, Senate Republicans confirmed the lifetime appointment of Judge Amy Coney Barrett to the U.S. Supreme Court. The following is a statement from Mony Ruiz-Velasco, Alianza Americas' associate director, to this development:

"By having confirmed Judge Barret, without a single vote from the minority party, Republican senators have contributed to the deep polarization that is dividing the nation. This confirmation demonstrates the Senate's abuse of power and complete disregard for the will of millions of voters, 60 million of whom have already voted early, across this country. By voting for a lifetime appointment to the highest legal body in the nation just days away from election day, Republican senators are doing the opposite of what they did in 2012 when they denied president Obama his constitutional prerogative to appoint Supreme Court justices. Justice Coney Barrett has been appointed for a lifetime position, setting her up to shape the lives of millions in the U.S. for generations to come. Unfortunately, Justice Coney Barrett has a concerning history that places the rights and lives of vulnerable populations at further risk. Justice Coney Barrett's record demonstrates her lack of support for reproductive rights, immigrant justice, and the rights of LGBTQ communities. Her confirmation to the Supreme Court threatens to take the U.S. back in time by potentially reversing past landmark decisions.

Without the legitimacy of bipartisan support for such a transcendent appointment, Judge Barrett will make decisions in the upcoming weeks and months regarding access to healthcare, immigration, potentially the outcome of this election, and LGBTQ rights. Justice Barrett has refused to acknowledge climate change as a real threat to humanity, has made statements against gun regulations, and has voted against corporate accountability. This confirmation is a loss to democracy, women, and our most vulnerable communities."

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